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THUGS SLUG LABOR DELEGATES

League Balks Fascists On Ethiopia and Spain; Powers Act on 'Piracy'

Soviet Forces Issue On Sub Attacks in Mediterranean

GENEVA — Prodded by the open acquisition that Italy was conducting submarine warfare against merchant shipping on the Mediterranean, the League of Nations in assembly here took two definite actions hindering the fascist aggressors.

The League continued its recognition of Ethiopia as acting against the claims of Italy on behalf of its conquest. It continued its recognition of the Spanish government rejecting the demands of General Franco that his insurgent regime be recognized.

The action followed the Nyon conference of nine European nations in which England and France took over responsibility for protecting commercial shipping in the Mediterranean. Pushed to take action by the Soviet Union's earlier accusations against Italy, the two countries first agreed to take full responsibility of protecting shipping lanes against the "pirate" submarines, leaving the way open for Italy to participate in a nine-power patrol.

The Soviet Union was prevented by England and France in the conference from again openly branding Italy as the nation responsible for the sinking of Soviet, British and French ships, although Foreign Commissioner Maxim Litvinoff repeated the accusation for all practical purposes.

Forced by the agreement of France and England to patrol the sea lanes, Italian delegates agreed to participate in the patrol, although only a small portion of the Mediterranean was assigned to the Italian navy for protection.

Rumors that one of the pirate submarines had been found disabled on the sea floor near the Loyalist naval base of Cartagena were discounted by the government at Madrid, which said they were without confirmation. It was known, however, that a submarine had attacked the British Destroyer Havock in that area and that the Havock had dropped seven depth bombs in counter attack.

Drive Opens for State 'Wagner Act'

FRESNO — A campaign to place a "Little Wagner Act" on the statute books of California was mapped at a meeting of the California People's Legislative Conference state executive board Sunday.

The campaign will be carried directly to the labor movement. It recalls the fact that Assemblyman Yorty's bill for such an act in the last legislature was passed by the Assembly, but killed by the reactionary majority of the state senate.

The Conference continued its support of the proposal for a uni-cameral legislature, but requested that changes be made in the petition to this end, now being sponsored by Assemblyman Yorty.

"Western" Staff To Throw Shindig

Get ready to run a temperance!

The Western Worker staff hereby issues an invitation to all and sundry to attend one of its famous parties, this time for the benefit of the Daily "Western."

On Saturday night, September 25, the doors of 121 Haight street will swing open to admit as many as the hall can hold, for the hottest shindig in the drive—a cabaret with floor show, hula dancers, torch singers, swing music and what not.

Last winter the "Western" staff threw a party for the financial drive that made history in San Francisco—history will repeat itself on a larger scale on Saturday, September 25. Watch for further announcements, and save the date!

Strategist



GENERAL Pai Chung-hsi, brilliant Chinese strategist, commanding 200,000 Chinese soldiers in the Shanghai area.

AUSTURIANS IN GUERRILLA WAR

Government Troops Prepare For New Aragon Fight

MADRID—Government forces launched several attacks on fascist positions in University City, Carabanchel and Valdemorillo, on the outskirts of Madrid.

MADRID—While government troops took a respite before another large-scale drive on the Aragon front, isolated guerrilla troops on the Biesca coast held back the campaign of the Italian and Moorish legions to complete the drive for domination of that isolated area.

The guerrillas, in the center of whom are the troops of the Asturian miners, fought against overwhelming opposition including gun boats which bombarded the coastal fishing villages and a fleet of airplanes which systematically bombed the inland villages.

A squadron of fascist boats bombarded the port of Gijon, reportedly damaging the city's defenses as well as the military road to the government held town of Ribadesella, 38 miles distant.

L.A. Auto Workers Local Asks Labor Board Polls

LOS ANGELES — The CIO United Auto Workers Local 510 has asked National Labor Relations Board elections in seven plants where a majority of the workers belong to the union. The plants are the Advance, Weibull, Standard, Independent, Tibbitts-Feightner, Langlois and Nogues auto body concerns.

TIME MARCHES ON! RED SQUARE TIMEPIECE MARCHES WITH IT

MOSCOW—The famous old clock on Red Square in Moscow received a new face last month. It will now be wound up by automatic mechanism with all parts made by Soviet mechanics in Soviet factories.

Many other hands of earlier centuries have worked on this almost legendary timepiece. In 1621, Christopher Holloway, an English watchmaker, was brought over to Moscow to overhaul the clock. In 1625, Holloway completed his job of fitting up the clock with musical chimes and 13 bells built by Russian masters of the art.

Up Again—Down Again

But in 1626 both the clock and the Kremlin Tower burned down to the ground. Holloway again rebuilt the clock only to have the Tower burn down again in 1654. When the clock was ruined in 1704, Russian master-mechanics rebuilt it.

CHINA LINES MOVED BACK AT SHANGHAI

Prepared Defenses Draw Fighting Further Away From Navy Guns

SHANGHAI — Having fought the invading Japanese to a standstill in Shanghai at the expense of terrible losses from the guns of the Japanese Navy, the Chinese forces under Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek have begun a strategic retreat to prepared defenses north and west of the Yangtze River.

The move took place under strict discipline and was based on tactics long tried and proved effective by the Chinese Red Army, which itself is now incorporated into the Chinese National Army and is working along the same lines in Shansi Province.

Delays Showdown

The move delays decisive encounter, and forces the Japanese to fight without the assistance of their powerful naval guns, now anchored at the Whangpoo River from the heart of Shanghai itself down to Wusung at the entrance to the Yangtze.

As the disciplined withdrawal took place, Japanese troops in large numbers were killed occupying mined centers carefully prepared before the move began.

Even as the withdrawal took place at Shanghai, Chinese planes drew new blood in an encounter with Japanese ships near the British settlement of Hongkong, to the south. Assisted by guns from the Bocca Tigris forts, the Chinese planes defeated the Japanese fleet in what was reported to be a major engagement. One ship was struck squarely on the bridge by a Chinese shell.

Battle in North

The roar of battle in the north was clearly to be heard from Peiping, as troops clashed 30 miles south of that city along the Peiping-Hankow Railway. At Sianfu in Shansi Province, the Eighth Route Army under Chui Teh, formerly the Red Army, was reported as throwing its strength against the Japanese concentrations in the Tantung region.

The new battle lines in the Shanghai region are not only formed out of the range of the Japanese navy. They are on solid ground where flank attacks are possible. Attempting to dislodge the Japanese from the immediate vicinity of the river, the Chinese were consistently successful in defeating Japanese troops in open battle.

CIO UNIONS MAP COUNCIL

Move Follows Expulsion Of ILA Locals

SAN FRANCISCO—Committee for Industrial Organization unions took steps to set up an Industrial Union Council this week, following expulsion of the Intl. Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union delegates from the research committee of the Communist Chest recommended the withholding of funds from the Recreation Center, although the committee admitted that "there exists a social need for recreational facilities and a program for adults in the waterfront community."

At a meeting in the Amalgamated Clothing Workers' hall at 1179 Market St. last Sunday, 22 unions authorized acceptance of an Industrial Union Council charter, which is now on the way here from CIO headquarters in Washington, D. C.

Draft Constitution

A committee of one delegate from each union was set up to draft a constitution for the council.

Unions represented include Longshoremen (ILA 38-79), Warehousemen (ILA 38-44), Textile Workers Organizing Committee, Furriers, American Radio Telegraphists Assn. (all locals), United Cleaners & Dyers, Ship Scalers, Bargemen, Cannery & Agricultural Union, Maritime Union Employees, Mine, Mill & Smelter Workers Locals 267 and 50; Bank & Insurance Office Employees; Inland Boatmen, Amalgamated Clothing Workers, Filling Station Employees and United Electrical & Radio Workers Locals 1491 and 1495.

Many Abstained

The vote on expulsion of the Longshoremen and the Warehousemen from the Central Labor Council was 233 to 123. It was estimated at least 100 delegates did not vote either for or against expulsion, including George Kidwell and other delegates from the Bakery Wagon Drivers, Teamster affiliate.

Among those voting against expulsion were delegates from the Department Store Employees Union Local 1100, Culinary Union, Brewery Workers Union, Street Car Men's 1004, Alaska Cannery Workers Union, United Textile Workers, Intl. Ladies Garment Workers Union, Laundry Workers Union, Marine Cooks and Stewards, and all ILA locals.

Joseph St. Angelo, Sailors Union of the Pacific, declared himself on record for the expulsion, but Carl Tillman, another SUP delegate, did not vote either way. Marine Firemen delegates were not present. Capt. May, Masters, Mates & Pilots Local 90, voted for the expulsion.

California's Landlords Seek Hitler-Type Unions

SAN DIEGO—Hitler type unions were urged at the convention here of the Apartment House Assn. of California, which resolved to memorialize Congress and the State Legislature to "abolish strikes by compelling unions to register, render financial reports, be liable to damages for breach of contract, and to compel arbitration."

How to Stop Asia's Mad Dog of War



AMERICANS INDIGNANT over the ruthless slaughter of Chinese citizens protested Tokio's new assault on world peace by picketing the Japanese Embassy at Washington. Similar demonstrations occurred in San Francisco, Los Angeles and other west coast cities.

Community Chest Boycott Weighed On Waterfront

SAN FRANCISCO—A boycott of the Community Chest may be urged upon labor as a result of the Chest's refusal to grant funds to the Union Recreation Center, sponsored by the Maritime Federation.

Gus Brown, director of the Center at 32 Clay street, said that he would place the matter before the District Council of the Federation. He revealed that the research committee of the Communist Chest recommended the withholding of funds from the Recreation Center, although the committee admitted that "there exists a social need for recreational facilities and a program for adults in the waterfront community."

"We feel," said Brown, "that if organized labor cannot get any direct benefits from the Community Chest, there is no reason for organized labor to support it. A prejudice seems to exist in the Chest which should be done away with."

The Chest withheld support because the Union Center allegedly does "not serve the entire community of the waterfront." Brown countered with the charge that the Community Chest had supported the Seamen's Church Institute after the waterfront unions voted to boycott it and therefore it not only did not represent the entire community but actually represented no one except salaried employees and a few derelicts.

He also revealed that Leroy Kitts, executive director of the Chest, had previously told him that the action was a result of "the political situation on the waterfront."

The Union Center is non-political and has taken no sides in intra-union disputes, said Brown. It serves as a recreation and social center.

National Maritime Union Starts Poll On CIO Affiliation

NEW YORK—More than 45,000 National Maritime Union members started balloting last Tuesday on affiliation to the Committee for Industrial Organization, in 23 ports on the Atlantic and Gulf coasts and aboard ships at sea. The poll, authorized by the first convention of the NMU held here recently, will close November 15. Ratification of a constitution is also on the ballot.

The NMU won a major victory last week in Washington when the National Labor Relations Board rejected the American Federation of Labor's demand to postpone collective bargaining elections among unlicensed seamen of 56 steamship lines, until October.

The NLRB granted but one week's postponement.

Blind Must Beg

DALLAS, Tex.—Because they can support themselves by begging, blind persons will be the first dropped from Dallas city-county relief rolls, according to Director W. T. Moore.

IWO BRANCHES BACK "DAILY"

Siegel Finds Members Eager to Aid

SAN FRANCISCO—The International Workers' Order has swung behind the drive for a Daily Western Worker.

A two-day conference of the order over the past week end delegates enthusiastically received proposals for their participation in the \$35,000 drive.

Frank H. Siegel, Daily Western drive director, was warmly received as he outlined the role played by the Communist press in the Order's phenomenal growth.

While not empowered by their branches to make any definite pledges, many delegates arose and made tentative pledges which they assured the conference would be endorsed by their respective branches.

Some of the pledges were: Branch 599—\$100. M. Zorfas, in making that pledge, said that he personally would raise an equal sum. Croatian Branch—\$50. Joe Pavich also pledged to equal that. Branch 119—minimum \$50 with the likelihood of \$100. Redwood City Branch 800—\$100. Branch 694—more than \$50. Petaluma Branch—\$75. The new Jewish-American branch—\$50. Branch 745—\$50.

Gangsterism Amuck!

(AN EDITORIAL)

THERE IS A Frankenstein loose in the labor movement! Running rampant. Threatening to smash the trade unions that were built through the devotion and sacrifice of thousands of working men.

That Frankenstein is the Beck-McLaughlin machine strangling the Teamsters' Union!

We accuse that machine of direct responsibility for the attack upon John F. Shelley and other delegates at the State Federation of Labor convention!

"I am known as a progressive and have been outspoken against gangster methods in union activities," said Shelley in naming the reason for the attack.

Who fights everything progressive?
Who employs "gangster methods in union activities?"
They are the guilty ones. They are the Beck-McLaughlin machine!

Shelley, in describing the group of assailants, said: "I recognized some as members of the Los Angeles Teamsters' Union."

Scores of rank and file progressives have been slugged by these gangsters. The labor movement did not rise to crush them. Now, drunk with power, they threaten to attack anyone, no matter how mild his progressivism, no matter what his position in the labor movement.

Those who tried to sit on the fence cannot help but see the truth now. Those who tried to play with the McLaughlins and Becks can see the ruinous results of such a policy. There can be no unity with them.

Unity—is unity of the labor movement against those who employ gangsters, against those who would wreck the labor movement with "goon squads?"

Now is the time for all honest progressives to unite and drive out the Frankenstein from their midst!

Let honest labor's voice be heard! Let it rock that convention in Long Beach! Flood it with protests from every local union, every labor council!

Crush gangsterism before it crushes YOU!

Beaten Because I'm Progressive, Shelley Charges

Reactionaries Let Loose Gangster War Against Opponents at State Federation Convention

LONG BEACH—Gangsterism, used as a patent weapon by Teamsters' Union officials, was introduced into the very legislative halls of labor as three delegates to the State Federation of Labor convention here were slugged by "goons." John F. Shelley, president of the San Francisco Labor

Council, was one of those beaten, suffering severe cuts on the face and head. With Shelley and also beaten was John Byrnes, delegate from the Can Workers Union.

Shelley Describes Attack
They were attacked as they walked along the board walk on Monday night. Shelley's brief description of the incident was as follows:

"We passed a group of about 50 men. I recognized some as members of the Los Angeles Teamsters' Union. Then suddenly we were jumped and slugged. I do not know whether Teamsters hit me or not."

Shelley charged reactionaries within the labor movement with responsibility for the attack.

"I am known as a progressive and have been outspoken against gangster methods in union activities."

Another Victim
Earlier in the day John Bernard, San Francisco culinary union delegate, was sent to the hospital with a broken nose and cut forehead.

It was reported that Shelley has given his endorsement to a resolution introduced by George Kidwell, of the San Francisco Bakery Wagon Drivers' Union, asking that President Roosevelt be called upon to heal the breach in the labor movement.

This may provide a motive for the attack upon Shelley, for Teamsters' Union officials are now conducting "a fight to the finish" against the Longshoremen and have repeatedly rejected any proposals for a waterfront peace. Shelley is a member of the Bakery Drivers, affiliated to the Teamsters, but has opposed the Beck-McLaughlin policy of open gangster war against CIO unions.

Mass Ouster Planned
These outbreaks of violence climaxed a day in which the reactionary Vandeleur machine greased the skids for a mass expulsion of all progressive delegates they could nab.

Among the unions whose representatives face expulsion are the Santa Cruz butchers, the Hollywood studio painters, the Los Angeles and San Francisco teachers, the Rodeo mine, mill and smelter workers, the San Francisco garment workers, as well as delegates from the Central Labor Councils of San Jose, Santa Rosa, Santa Barbara and Bakersfield.

Progressive Caucus Fights Vandeleur's Policies
LONG BEACH—Plans to steam roll endorsement of Secretary Edward D. Vandeleur's labor-splitting, dual union and company union policies through the 38th annual convention of the California State Federation of Labor, which started here last Monday, were meeting with a strong organized opposition.

At a pre-convention progressive caucus meeting last Sunday in Carpenters' Hall, San Pedro, approximately 100 delegates representing over 40 unions sounded the note of opposition and rebellion to the bureaucratic control of the American Federation of Labor.

Fight Machine
"We recognize that we've got to fight against a machine, a machine that's got everything slanted and stamped before the opening gavel of the convention ever sounds," declared one delegate.

"But that's just why we're meeting here today, to plan how to fight that machine and if nothing else, to let them know there are those of us who will fight to the end."

Called by the California Conference of Central Labor Councils, the caucus met to consider how to set up an organized opposition to the autocratic control by the AFL officialdom, and how to stop jurisdictional disputes between the AFL and

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Labor Campaign Will Fight Attempted Anti-Picket Act

S. F. REACTION SEEKS TO USE PUBLIC APATHY

Honest Govt. Campaign Will Name Candidates for Offices

SAN FRANCISCO—Labor will be called upon to organize an intensive campaign to oppose the new and more vicious anti-picket ordinance put on the November ballot by initiative petition.

Plans for a city-wide mass meeting of all labor force willing to cooperate in such a campaign were laid at the meeting of the Honest Government Committee, tentative date of September 29 was set. At the same time, the campaign committee, scheduled to meet Tuesday night, was instructed to complete the investigation of candidates already discussed and to make public the final draft of the Honest Government slate.

Separate Campaign

The campaign against the anti-picket ordinance will be organized separately from the remainder of the Honest Government campaign in order to secure the fullest action of the labor movement around defense of its basic right, although Honest Government will also make it a central feature on its own platform.

"It would be dangerous for labor to take the new and more vicious anti-picket ordinance lightly," said a spokesman of the Saturday conference. "It is exactly this attitude which the reactionaries are counting on. The voters repealed the previous ordinance at the last election. Despite this, a heavy fund has already been spent to put the new and more vicious ordinance on the ballot."

"Its prospect of passing depends entirely on the lassitude of the voters. Its backers hope to put it over by relying on a light vote and on the inactivity of the labor movement against it. Labor cannot afford to deal lightly with it."

To Announce Candidates

The date for the labor conference was to be set by the campaign committee at its Tuesday night meeting, when the final slate of Honest Government candidates was also to be announced.

Saturday the Honest Government conference voted to oppose the subway bonds in the coming campaign and to uphold the proposal for the city to accept the gift of Laurel Hill Cemetery as a public memorial park.

It made minor and clarifying amendments to its already approved seven-point program calling for defense of civil liberties and the rights of labor, investigation of graft and prosecution where evidence warrants, democratic election of public officials, opposition to anti-picketing ordinances, lowering the cost of living, municipal ownership of public utilities and a square deal for the unemployed.

Seek Housing Funds

On the living costs clause of the platform, the committee inserted a plank favoring the establishment of a public housing agency in San Francisco to secure the benefits of the Wagner-Steagall Housing Act for this city.

"Our opposition to the subway bonds," said a leading member of the committee, "is not an opposition to a subway, but to the intolerable cost which the bonds would place on the small home owner and average taxpayer consumer."

"Our support of the Laurel Hill park plan is obviously in the interest of public welfare. The issue is whether the city shall have a new and beautiful park for the taking or whether it shall allow this historic old site to be turned over to the mercies of real estate operators who would forever preclude its use as a public park."

"There can be only one position in the public interest on this question and we have taken that position."

REFUGEE CHILDREN GET FRENCH HOMES

PARIS—France is dotted with refugee camps for Spanish children. Most are supported by French factory or civil service workers who contribute a few francs a week to make up the 350 francs a month required for the maintenance of a child.

French workers who thus contribute become god-parents and frequently visit "their" children or take them on outings. Many of the 10,000 refugee youngsters in France are with private families. They will remain there until the end of the war. If there is no family left in Spain to claim the children then, they will be available for adoption. About 11,000 other children are in Belgium, Sweden, England and other countries.

C. S. Victim in Thanks for Gift Made By I. L. D.

SAN FRANCISCO—Appreciation for the gift of a drafting board, through donations of members of the International Labor Defense and others, were expressed by Martin Wilson, Criminal Syndicalism Law prisoner at San Quentin, in a letter to Elaine Black, secretary of the I.L.D.'s northern California division.

"I have derived a great deal of pleasure out of the board," wrote Wilson. He concluded with the hope that he would soon "be able to help with the many tasks of my friends."

ATTACK ON CIO IN FARM AREA MEETS REBUFF

Progressive Farm Leaders Defend Cooperation With Labor

ABERDEEN, S. D.—Reactionaries who are attempting to turn farmers against the labor movement are finding the going tougher than they expected. Main attacks made thus far have resulted in defeats for reaction.

A terrific barrage against the CIO particularly is being carried on in newspapers and by reactionary politicians. Present price rises of staple commodities which the farmer must buy are pictured as the result of unionization. The CIO is presented as an anti-farmer movement which will benefit the worker at the expense of the rural communities.

But the facts are that the convention of the South Dakota Farmers Union Dist. 2 rejected efforts of Republican politicians to push through resolutions condemning the CIO. The Davison County Farmers Union also repudiated the drive against labor. No anti-CIO resolutions have passed in any important farm organization and progressive farm leaders are actively defending the CIO.

When Gov. Jensen, speaking before a Republican picnic recently, attacked the CIO and said that he would allow no CIO organizers to function in the state, Pres. Oscar Brekke of the South Dakota Farmers Holiday Assn. issued a statement taking sharp issue.

Homer Ayres, chairman of the Committee for Progressive Legislation and well-known figure in Farmers' Union circles, recently issued a statement recalling the long drive against the "money changers" and asking the membership if they were now going to cooperate with the "money changers" against labor.

Meanwhile the South Dakota Federation of Labor in convention at Rapid City, pointed out that "through a combination of low prices debt incurred in the past, drought, grasshoppers and other afflictions, the vast majority of the farmers in South Dakota are confronted with serious problems which gravely endanger their living standards and their ability to continue in their occupation of producing food for the people of America." It termed present government aid to farmers inadequate and pointed out that dispossession of farmers will tend to add to the already overcrowded labor market.

Support was pledged to the demands of the Holiday Assn. and Farmers Union "for a program of relief measures to aid the farmers in this crisis to the end that their living standards will be maintained."

'SAVE WPA COMMITTEE' DEMANDS FULL FEDERAL WORK QUOTA BE APPLIED IN S.F.

SAN FRANCISCO—Organized WPA white collar workers in San Francisco are demanding that the City of San Francisco approve projects proposed to give employment to approximately 1500 workers.

Despite the drastic cuts recently made in WPA and the fact that thousands of unemployed in San Francisco have been forced on the semi-starvation scale of relief recipients, WPA in this city is now running below the employment figure allowed by the Federal government.

This is the situation the unions are trying to change, according to Dorothea Sawvelle, secretary of the San Francisco Committee to Save WPA.

"Committees from our unions appeared before the Welfare Committee of the Board of Supervisors to demand that projects be approved in order to employ some of the needy unemployed," declared Miss Sawvelle. "We pointed out that the Federal government has approved sufficient money to hire the workers and the only thing that prevents this is the failure of the city to approve projects proposed."

O. K., CHICAGO; CONTEST IS ON IN RECRUITING

California C.P. Replies to Challenge for Second Place in Nation

SAN FRANCISCO—A worthy challenger has challenged a worthy defender. Defender is the Communist Party of California, which replied to the challenger as follows:

September 9, 1937
Morris Childs, Secretary, Ill. State Com., CPUSA, Chicago, Ill.

Dear Comrades:
The California State Committee of the Party accepts the challenge of Illinois and proposes that the competition in the Recruiting Drive shall be based on the following:

1. That California will recruit more maritime and agricultural workers, than Illinois will recruit steel and packing-house workers, by Nov. 7th.
2. That California will retain its place as the second-largest district in membership by Nov. 7th, and furthermore, will have 5000 dues-paying members by January 1st.

3. That the Goodyear Section of Los Angeles County and the Oakland Section of Alameda County will recruit more Negro workers by Nov. 7th than will South Side Chicago.

We fully realize that the Illinois district is a worthy challenger for the position of second to New York, but we are confident that California, "The State That Knows How," will hold its own.

Comradely yours,
W. Schneiderman,
Calif. State Sec'y,
Communist Party.

Prestes Charges That Vargas Deliberately Provoked Brazil Fight

RIO DE JANEIRO—In a statement before a tense and crowded courtroom of a military tribunal, Luis Carlos Prestes declared that the 1935 revolt was provoked by President Getulio Vargas as a deliberate strategy to extend his military dictatorship.

While the Vargas government deliberately practiced the most repressive measures to provoke the revolt, Vargas and Dr. Osvaldo Aranha, Brazilian ambassador to the United States, supplied the money for its suppression and for smashing the People's Front whose rising influence was a threat to despotism, Prestes told the court.

He was dragged before the military tribunal against his will and in spite of his demands for a hearing on his appeal before a civil court as provided in the Brazilian constitution. Together with him was the anti-Nazi Arthur Ewart.

Prestes was bleeding at the mouth as a result of a blow from one of Vargas' troopers, given when he objected to appearing before the military. The two anti-fascists greeted each other with the People's Front salute.

Prestes won a day's delay in the hearing, the injuries making him unable to conduct his defense as he had planned.

Pullman Porters Happy

CHICAGO — Nine thousand Pullman porters are rejoicing in a boost which brings their basic wage scale up from \$88 to \$100 a month and also provides a 240-hour month and an increase in overtime wages. The new agreement, won by the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, follows four months of negotiations under the supervision of the National Mediation Board.

The Welfare Committee referred the question to the mayor's Public Welfare Commission, before which representatives of the WPA unions were scheduled to appear to demand that the projects be approved. Unions and progressive organizations generally are asked by the Save WPA Committee to send resolutions to the Board of Supervisors, the Mayor and the Public Welfare Commission, urging that the projects be approved and the 1500 workers employed.

Watching Their Bombs Explode



JAPANESE SOLDIERS on the roof of a building in Shanghai watching the effect of shell fire from their artillery and naval guns on a quarter of the city occupied by Chinese. Smoke from burning buildings can be seen in the distance.

LIFETIME SUBSCRIPTION TO DAILY 'WESTERN' IS YOURS FOR CONSCIENTIOUS EFFORT

Not for Sale At Any Price, But You Can Earn a Lifetime Reward By Raising \$100 in the Drive

By JOE WILSON

(Field Organizer, Western Worker Financial Drive)

Exceptional individual efforts on the part of comrades is always an important part of any Party struggle, be it a financial or recruiting campaign, union organization, or strike organization.

In the last Circulation drive, the outstanding work of Comrades Feingold, Vast, Sherwood, Violet Orr, Baron, Cline, Jackson and many others played a decisive part in putting over the drive. By getting scores of subscriptions, not only did they prove to the rest of the membership that the job could be done, but the actual number of subs the above group obtained was a substantial part of the total.

Shock Brigades Necessary

Outstanding examples of work by individual comrades are even more vitally necessary to the financial campaign.

The State Drive Committee, after serious consideration as to how best it could encourage exceptional work in the drive, decided to make an exceptional and unusual offer. Life subscriptions were to be offered to the first 100 comrades in the state who raised \$100 for the Daily Western Worker!

For the Rest of Your Life

Think of it—a life sub—the Daily Western Worker coming to you every day for the rest of your life! No matter where you move to, in this country or abroad, the Daily Western faithfully following you. What better gift could you ask for? Sure, there are thousands of other things we all want—but can you think of anything as permanently valuable?

But really, it's a whale of a lot more than a gift. You will have earned this award, earned it by building the very paper that will come to you all the rest of your life.

Only 100 of these lifetime subs will be awarded. You can't buy them, they must be earned.

And \$100 is not so high a sum when you are raising it for the Daily Western Worker. And it's perfectly fair to you to get non-party workers to help you raise it.

Start Now!

Start right this very minute! Fill out the application form at the end of this article and send it in. Get busy in your shop, neighborhood, mass organization! Keep an accurate record of the money you turn in to your branch or unit and see how quickly it will mount up when you really go to work.

YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE A PARTY MEMBER TO QUALIFY. In fact, the Western Worker is proud of its non-party press builders and supporters.

One hundred lifetime subscriptions will be started with Vol. 1—No. 1—when the Daily "Western" rolls off the presses on Jan. 1, 1938. Will your name go on the mailing list?

State Drive Committee,
121 Haight Street,
San Francisco, Calif.

I pledge to raise \$100. Reserve a LIFE SUBSCRIPTION to the Daily Western Worker for me.

Name

Address

City

State

Poll Okays Guild's C.I.O. Affiliation

ST. LOUIS — The American Federation of Labor will set up a dual organization to the American Newspaper Guild, declared AFL President William Green here, as he announced expulsion of the Guild.

Indicating the AFL will try to raid the Guild's membership, Green stated: "It is expected members of the Guild who voted against affiliation with the Committee for Industrial Organization, or against its political policies, will form the nucleus

of this new organization."

NEW YORK — Affiliation to the Committee for Industrial Organization has been upheld by a nation-wide poll of its membership. The American Newspaper Guild announced last week. The vote was 3392 for affiliation 1691 against.

Enlargement of the jurisdiction to include non-editorial workers was upheld 3013 to 2054, and independent political action, 2774 to 2202. All other decisions of the Guild's St. Louis convention were upheld, save the resolution supporting the Spanish people's fight against invading fascism, which was rescinded by the narrow vote of 2592 to 2409.

Labor Non-Partisan League Growing Throughout Nation

L. A. COUNCIL REFUSES FUND FOR PENSIONS

Defies Charter Amendment and Opinion of City Attorney

LOS ANGELES.—Launching an attack on a measure passed by the vote of the people, and defying its mandate in the face of an adverse opinion by the city attorney, the city council here refused to appropriate \$1,069,402 from the reserve fund for the retirement fund of city employees.

Under the pension charter amendment adopted last April, City Attorney Chesbro ruled, the council must provide the funds authorized by the commission of the retirement fund. Under the fire of reactionary council members the commission reduced the figure and was considering a further reduction but the attorney ruled the first was mandatory.

During the council discussion on the motion to appropriate, Councilman Evan Lewis attacked the pension setup as a concoction of a "brain trust" and said it should be resubmitted to the people.

NEW SCOTTSBORO APPEAL IS FILED WITH HIGH COURT

NEW YORK.—A petition and brief on the application for a writ of certiorari in the case of Haywood Patterson, one of the nine Scottsboro Boys, has been filed in the United States Supreme Court, according to an announcement by the Scottsboro Defense Committee, defending the five Negro youths still imprisoned.

The papers were filed by Osmond K. Fraenkel, noted constitutional lawyer, who prepared two previously successful Scottsboro appeals to the United States Supreme Court.

Four Are Ill

At the time the committee announced that steps were being taken to have four of the boys removed from Kilby Prison in Montgomery, Ala., where they are all ill.

Patterson, four time sentenced to death by the Alabama courts and twice saved by reversals in the U. S. Supreme Court, received a 75-year sentence in the Decatur, Ala., court in January 1936. The sentence was upheld by the Alabama Supreme Court and the committee is again seeking a reversal and a new trial.

"Despite all rumors of compromise and deals in the case of the remaining five Scottsboro boys," said Dr. Allen Knight Chambers, chairman of the Scottsboro Defense Committee, "rumors which we most emphatically deny, we are pressing forward for the release of the five remaining boys."

Mrs. Wright Visits Boys

Mrs. Ada Wright, mother of two of the boys returned recently from a visit to the prison, reported that all were seriously ill and neglected. Mrs. Wright had just been operated on. Two others, Haywood Patterson and Charlie Weems, were also in the prison hospital. Patterson was suffering from a dangerous infection in the leg. Powell, Mrs. Wright learned, had wasted away "to skin and bones." Information reaching the committee indicated that Patterson was in danger because he resented anti-Negro insults and abuse heaped upon him.

CITIZENS' COMMITTEE CONTENTS SUBWAY MIGHT COST EVEN MORE THAN 49 MILLIONS

SAN FRANCISCO—Warning that the proposed San Francisco subway may cost as much as three times the 49 million dollar figure set as the estimated cost, a Citizens Committee to Oppose the Subway Bonds Proposal has set up campaign headquarters here.

The committee in an initial statement reminded the voters of the Hetch-Hetchy project, which ran three times the cost originally estimated. At the same time, it differed with other opponents of the subway bonds in declaring an opposition to the subway itself, charging that it would not solve San Francisco's rapid transit problem. The Hetch-Hetchy project, the committee said, was in danger because it opposed the unbearable cost to small taxpayers. The Communist Party had earlier announced that it favored the subway as a modern solution to the transit problem, but opposed the bonds and demanded a financing plan which would place the cost on big mercantile and financial interests who would profit most from it.

There are many reasons why the subway bond proposal should be overwhelmingly defeated," said Chairman John J. Barrett of the new committee. "First, the proposed subway system would serve less than one-third of the city's population at the same time as the chief problem of the city is the congestion that would result during construction."

Tenant Expulsion Law to Be Tested In Trial at S. F.

SAN FRANCISCO—California's new tenant expulsion law, which provides that a property owner may evict a tenant on three day's notice, was scheduled to get a test of constitutionality, Tuesday, Sept. 14, in a case before a three-judge municipal court. The suit was brought by Elizabeth and C. F. Dillon, owners of property at 123 Paris Street, against Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cockrell, tenants, who are charged with owing two months' rent under the provisions of a verbal contract.

DETROIT LABOR CAMPAIGNS TO ELECT COUNCIL

Auto Leaders Head Slate For November 2 City Election

DETROIT—Labor's campaign to place its candidate for mayor and a majority of labor councilmen in the city hall Nov. 2 gathered strength with the return of United Auto Workers leaders from the Milwaukee convention.

Four UAW international officials are candidates for the city council. They are Vice Presidents Frankenstein and Thomas, and Board Members Doll and Reuther. All of them head huge locals in the union — Dodge, Chrysler, Hudson, and West Side. Atty. Maurice Sugar, who handled much UAW legal work in connection with sitdowns, is the fifth council candidate endorsed by the Auto Workers and other unions.

Former State Atty-Gen. Patrick H. O'Brien is the labor candidate for mayor.

Billboards, tire covers, windshield stickers, window cards, campaign cards, banners, buttons, match papers and other advertising devices are being employed to imprint the labor slate names on the memories of voters. The slogan everywhere appearing on printed matter is VOTE LABOR.

Catholic Welfare Leader Advocates Taxes on Wealthy

ST. PAUL, Minn. — Leading Catholic welfare directors, concluding a national conference here, agreed that the chief problem of government is to make a more even distribution of the nation's wealth.

And the only way in which this ideal can be realized, declared Rev. Leo Geary, director of the Catholic Charities of Buffalo, N.Y., is "to force, through taxation, the balance between the unwarranted wealth of a few and the deplorable need of many."

Rev. Thomas J. O'Dwyer, director of the Catholic Welfare Bureau in Los Angeles, praised Gov. Elmer Benson's proposal for a survey to determine the relief needs of youth, saying "Minnesota is to be congratulated, and I feel sure that other states will follow her example."

Open-shop Closed

CINCINNATI — Cincinnati is practically a 100 per cent union town for the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, since 2,400 workers in this one-time open shop strong-hold signed up in June.

AKRON VICTORY BRINGS SPREAD IN OHIO STATE

Requests for Formation of Branches Pour in From Many Labor Sources

WASHINGTON.—Spurred by failure of congressmen to live up to their campaign pledges and by attacks of state and municipal officials upon workers' rights to organize, labor throughout the country has swamped the offices of Labor's Non-Partisan League with requests for organization or information.

National office spokesmen of the League said that the rush has been heavy since the middle of August, coming from such widely separated sources as textile workers in Massachusetts, cab drivers in Chicago, seamen from Louisiana and California, war veterans in Illinois, professional workers in Michigan from wives of union men in Washington. All requesting information on how to go about forming local branches of the League.

Support Rolls In

Recent signs of increased support to the League include the following:

Vote of the United Automobile Workers Union, in convention at Milwaukee, to endorse the league and reaffirm its stand for independent political action.

Endorsement of the league by the State Federation of West Virginia.

Vote of affiliation by the Meriden Central Labor Union of Connecticut.

Following victory in the primary elections in Akron and Canton, Ohio, the League in Cleveland has entered the municipal elections. In the course of the campaign it plans to lay the foundation for a permanent ward and precinct organization which will be available for future state and national elections.

Spurred by Success

Success in Akron has been followed, not only Cleveland, but Cincinnati, Massillon and Kirtman have also set up branches of the League under the guidance of the parent state organization.

In Akron itself the League is preparing for the final elections, confident that its mayoralty and ten councilmanic candidates, victors in the primaries, will be finally elected. In addition to these partisan candidates, the League has endorsed a slate for the school board.

Cleveland Nominations

Approximately 20 or 25 candidates will be nominated or supported in Cleveland, including several municipal judges, Railroad Brotherhoods, AFL and CIO unions all have representatives on the executive board.

Attack Hague Machine
In New Jersey, plans were laid at a special Newark convention of the state organization of the League to defeat the reactionary Frank Hague machine in the primaries. The convention was attended by 120 delegates representing 52 unions with a membership of more than 150,000. A candidate will be endorsed against the reactionary Governor Hoffman.

In Maine the League took an active part in a recent victorious campaign against a proposed sales tax. It was beaten by a 4 to 1 vote.

Packing Workers Win

CLEVELAND—Employees of the Theurer Norton Co. are back at work after winning an eight-day strike. The company signed an agreement with the Packing House Union granting minimum hourly rates of 52¢ for men and 50¢ for women.

Two Ambulances Tour for Spain

LOS ANGELES—The Motion Picture Artists Committee of Hollywood will sponsor a tour from Hollywood to New York of two ambulances bound for Loyalist Spain. It was announced here today by Donald Ogden Stewart, chairman of the Committee.

Enroute the film "Heart of Spain" on which the Committee holds exclusive rights will be shown. A group composed of two speakers, a nurse and two ambulance drivers will make the tour.

Tentative itinerary includes San Bernardino, September 12; Santa Barbara, 13th; San Francisco Bay Area, 14th; Sacramento, 15th; Northern California, 16th; Southern Oregon, 17th; Portland, 18th; Seattle, 19th; Vancouver or Seattle, 20th; Wenatchee, Wash., 21st; Spokane, 22nd; Walla Walla, 23rd; Boise, Idaho, 24th; Two Falls, 25th; Salt Lake, 26th; Rock Springs, Wyo., 27th; Cheyenne, 28th; Denver, 30th; Colorado Springs, October 1st; Pueblo, 2nd and Garden city, Kansas, 3rd.

Cardenas Pledges Continuation of Reform Program

Upholds Aid to Spain, Distribution of Land; Advocates Votes for Women As Congress Opens

MEXICO—In a speech before a joint session of the two chambers of the government at the opening of the 37th Congress, President Lazaro Cardenas promised a continuation of the program of nationalization of important industries, distribution of land, defense of the rights of labor and support for the Spanish people "as long as the Mexican people do not disapprove the policies and activities which the government has instituted for their benefit."

In addition, he advocated that the right to vote be extended to women and said that the government is seeking means to remedy the rising cost of living which "endangers the advantages which workers have obtained, for it means nothing less than a reduction of real wages."

Taking note of the active organizing drive of reactionary forces, who have given wide evidence of an effort to foment an open attack on the government, he promised that his government would know how to deal with them effectively should it become necessary.

Land Distribution
Cardenas revealed that the agrarian program of the government had resulted in 32 months of his administration in the distribution of 9,764,140 hectares of land to 565,216 peasants.

He recalled the Mexican government's note to the League of Nations attacking the "neutrality" program and revealed that the Mexican government had sold 8,200,078.21 pesos' worth of war material to Spain.

German "Diplomats" Conduct Drive in Mexico

MEXICO CITY—Official German diplomats took a direct part in an effort to establish a movement to secure raw materials for Germany in Mexico, it was revealed by the Confederation of Mexican Workers (CTM). Officials of the movement styled itself the Union of German People in Mexico, but the fact that

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Stork Shower for the Western Worker, Saturday, Sept. 25, 8 p. m., 2742 Hollywood Dr. Admission two bits and a package.

Other Affairs

Los Angeles

Reserve Sunday, Sept. 26th, Fall Picnic, I.L.D., Montebello Stadium.

Whoopie! Keep this date open, Oct. 3, Press Fair and Carnival, Verdugo Country Club.

San Francisco

Open forum—"Rapid Transit." Speaker, Oleta O'Connor, Sokol Hall, 739 Page St. Thurs., Sept. 16, 8 p. m.

Welcome to the new conductor. Opening of new season. Dancing and singing. Saturday, Sept. 18th, at 2508 Washington St. Freidrich Gezaiges Ferein.

RESERVE Sat. Sept. 25, Anniversary Celebration Lodge 694. IWO Knows How.

Mass meeting, fighting Flaherty Brothers, Lincoln Brigade, Wed., Oct. 6, Irish-American Hall, 458 Valencia St. Ausp. Friends of Lincoln Brigade.

Grand October Revolution Celebration, Sat., Nov. 6, Dreamland Aud. Clarence Hathaway, editor Daily Worker, main speaker.

East Bay

Youth Labor Rally, Sept. 18, Oakland Auditorium. Speakers, program. Adm. 35c.

ALASKA UNION TAKES STAND TO AID CHINA

Opposes Neutrality Act's Use As Aiding Japan's Aggression

SAN FRANCISCO.—Pointing out that Japan has been clearly established the aggressor in China and in violation of both the Nine Power Treaty and the Kellogg Peace Pact, the Alaska Cannery Workers Union has adopted a resolution unanimously to oppose putting the Neutrality Act into effect as contrary to the spirit and intent of both the Nine Power Peace Treaty and the Kellogg Peace Pact.

The Neutrality Act, states the resolution, "treats an aggressor and its victims alike and provides the selling of war materials to all belligerent nations, including even the aggressor," and would in the present situation in the Far East particularly favor Japan, the aggressor.

The union sent copies of the resolution to all Bay Area daily and labor newspapers, President Roosevelt, Secretary of State Hull and Senator Pittman, chairman of the Senate Foreign Affairs Committee.

BABIES' DEATH STARTS PROBE

Abortion Ring Sells Dead Children to Medical Clinics

(Los Angeles Western Worker Bureau)

LONG BEACH, Sept. 11.—The embalmed bodies of two babies, one found in a trunk in a Long Beach warehouse, the other in a suit case in a boarding house, led to the arrest of Tessie Noel for alleged illegal operations.

A card index file was found in Miss Noel's home indicating that many sailors from the United States Pacific Fleet are making regular payments. It is alleged that these payments are for illegal operations on unmarried girls.

The bodies of babies are assertedly sold to medical clinics.

Abortions Prevalent
A leading obstetrician of Los Angeles in an interview with this reporter stated:

"Everyone knows that this type of illegal operation is prevalent. In fact there is a regular abortion syndicate here in Los Angeles. Bootleg abortions are as common as the old speakeasy and will be until some legal way of taking care of these cases is found. In the meantime girls are often compelled to resort to all kinds of quacks."

Police are continuing investigation of the so-called "baby farm."

C. P. Speaker to Discuss Subway

SAN FRANCISCO.—Oleta O'Connor, Communist candidate for supervisor, will speak on the proposed subway bond issue at the monthly open forum of the 26th Assembly District Branch of the Communist Party, Sept. 16 at 8 p. m. at Sokol Hall, 739 Page Street. The floor will be open for discussion following her talk.

Thugs Beat Crippled Veteran

By NAT YANISH

If you are 30 or over, you remember Belleau Wood. It is a region northwest of Chateau Thierry, France. In referring to Belleau Wood, the dictionary has this to say: "... it is the region from which United States Marines drove Germans, June 6-26, 1918." The dictionary does NOT go on to say, "... some of the fiercest fighting of the World War I took place in Belleau Wood."

In those days of war hysteria, the S. F. Chronicle and Hearst's Examiner joined in shrieking that "... we must fight in order to save the world, etc." 19-year-old Frank Smith heeded the cry, enlisted in the 5th Marine Corps. He went "over there" to "no man's land." Then, at Belleau Wood, he went "over the top." Shrapnel "bursting in the air," brought young Smith down. A bone in his ankle had been shattered by the

murderous bits of steel. Several operations were performed on Smith's leg in order to save it from amputation. Finally, a silver plate was used to tie the broken bones of his leg together.

Now a News Vendor
In 1937, Frank Smith, now a graying, crippled man of 40, was selling papers in Oakland. His pay, like that of all newsboys, was a miserable pittance. Out of the sad need of the unorganized to be organized, the CIO News Vendors' Union, Local 335, was born. In reprisal, the publishers, Knowland and Hearst, and the "liberal" News and Chronicle publishers, looked out the newsies.

Frank Smith went out on picket duty. The same Hearst press that in 1918 shrieked out against a "hun" enemy and acclaimed Smith for his patriotism, now condemned Smith and his buddies as irresponsible unionists. (Although they did not do so in the columns of their papers for

Gandhi Says It Stinks



INDIA'S MAHATMA, eschewing the appropriate words, expresses his idea of the fake new constitution England is trying to foist on India with this eloquent gesture. The scene is at a session of the All-India Congress Party meeting at Wardha.

HOW SOVIET PEOPLE WILL VOTE UNDER NEW ELECTION LAW

Pirate Submarine Issue Shares Limelight With New Constitution Election

By ANNA LOUISE STRONG
MOSCOW (By Wireless)—All the USSR is preparing for the first Soviet elections to be held under the new constitution which provides for the secret ballot and equal, universal suffrage for all citizens over 18 years old.

Voting precincts are provided for every 2,000 inhabitants in cities down to 100 inhabitants in sparsely settled localities. An interesting provision calls for voting precincts on ships and in hospitals with 50 or more voters.

Secret Ballot
The voting procedure includes closed booths for marking the ballot, which is then enclosed in a plain envelope and dropped by the voter in the ballot box. The voting lists under preparation include persons regardless of race, sex, creed or past social status. A voter changing his residence between the time of listing and election day gets a transfer slip authorizing him to vote at his new residence.

Factories in all parts of the Soviet Union are now boasting of the completion of hundreds of tons of paper needed for envelopes and ballots. Residence transfer slips alone require 515 tons of paper.

Many Nominees Run
Foreign critics of Soviet democracy who claim that a single party does not provide for a variety of candidates should note that all social organizations, trade unions, scientific societies, collective farms and the like may nominate candidates, party or non-party members, and "agitators" without limit in speech, press and otherwise for their candidates. Watchers may be appointed when the vote is tallied. The privilege of nominating candidates applies to organizations from the executive committees of trade unions down to simple meetings of farm, factory or red army people.

Under this system, a large number of nominees may be expected. An absolute majority is required to elect. If the high-candidate gets less than an absolute majority, there is a second election on the two highest names within two weeks. A pamphlet explaining the

election procedure has already sold 15,000,000 copies, indicating the wide interest of the Soviet people in details of the electoral system.

The other great issue which claims public attention these days is that of piracy on the Mediterranean. Letters and resolutions continue to pour in on the Soviet press protesting this unprecedented situation and demanding protection for Soviet ships, two of which were sunk in a single week—one off Algiers while carrying coal to Port Said, and the other near Crete with a cargo of asphalt for France.

Resolutions from Leningrad put forth the demand: "Send warships to safeguard our vessels." Other factory meetings have resolved that "for one boat sunk we'll build 10 new ones."

Spain Aid Group Is Formed in Richmond

RICHMOND.—Planning a campaign to raise funds, clothing and medical supplies, a branch of the North American Committee to Aid Spanish Democracy has been formed here. A partial list of the sponsors includes: The Contra Costa Central Trades and Labor Council, Chemical Workers Union 266, Brotherhood of Railway Carmen of America was elected chairman; J. Valdez, president of the Mexican Honorary Commission, vice-chairman, and Elisa Traspuesto of the CIO Cannery Workers' Union, secretary-treasurer. An office will be maintained at 268 Sixth street, Richmond, with the secretary working full time. All funds should be sent to that address.

OPEN-SHOPPERS GET PICKETING BAN ON BALLOT

S. F. Labor Council Plans Campaign Against Anti-Labor Ordinance

SAN FRANCISCO.—Closely related to the present lackout on the waterfront as part of the open-shoppers' assault against organized labor, the "Committee of 43" set up by the Industrial Assn. as a "labor relations" body last week filed an initiative petition putting a sweeping anti-picketing ordinance on the November municipal election ballot.

The "Committee of 43" paid exactly \$2302.45 to get the proposed picket ban on the ballot, at 15 cents per signature for the 15,883 names signed. This amount was termed only a drop in the bucket as compared to the huge war chest assembled by industrial interests to attempt to put over this shackle on labor.

Blanket Ordinance
The proposed ordinance "prohibits intimidation, threats, force, coercion, loitering, picketing, carrying or displaying banners, badges, signs or transparencies, or making loud or unusual noises in streets, sidewalks, alleys or other public places."

Last March, organized labor led a successful campaign which removed an anti-picketing ordinance which had been passed in the hysteria of World War days.

Extent to which the open-shoppers are willing to go in their campaign, was:

Phoney Propaganda
The "Committee of 43" is paying \$500 to one Mr. Heady, owner of a scab barber shop at 129 Ellis street, to maintain his broken windows, with signs stating: "This is what they call peaceful picketing."

Actually, the windows were broken in a quarrel between Heady and a passer-by who was not a Barbers' Union picket.

The Central Labor Council voted last Friday night to call a conference of five delegates from each union, details of which are to be arranged by the council executive and law-and-legislative committees, and to advance \$1000 to start the campaign to defeat this anti-labor proposal.

Rossi Man's Plan
With labor faced by this attack by the industrialists, several council delegates spoke in favor of a partial retreat. Henry Heidelberg, who represents Typographical Local 21, although he is a deputy city attorney and part of the Rossi machine, even proposed that the council draft an ordinance restricting picketing and request the Board of Supervisors to adopt it.

Fred West, who has agreed that this strategy would be an "important factor" in trying to defeat the "Committee of 43" ordinance.

Andy Gallagher, Photo Engravers' Union and ex-supervisor, opposed this, stating: "How can the council ask for an anti-picketing ordinance when it has fought one all these years?"

Gallagher spoke for a smaller retreat—"self-regulation" of picketing by the council.

A plan of action against the proposed ordinance was left to be formulated later.

CIO Charges Cops Aid Armed Thugs

LOS ANGELES.—Slugging of workers by Teamster officials' "goon squads" went on here last week with unabated fury as Carlin Tanner, 23, member of the Douglas Aircraft Local of the CIO United Auto Workers received a savage beating when attacked by six thugs.

Four men were in the hospital following an assault by 12 "goons" armed with ball bats, who were arrested. Despite the fact that they were caught almost red-handed and with four of them identified by two of the injured workers, Capt. W. F. "Red" Hynes, head of the police "Red" squad, declared the case against the 12 men was "alm."

"Goon" Squad
Baseball bats are not necessarily evidence, Hynes said, as it is not unlawful to carry them in automobiles. He said nothing about the identifications.

Meanwhile, Intl. Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union officials charged police with purposely avoiding "goon squad" attacks on CIO workers.

"We notified police before the attacks," a large group of men armed with ball bats were waiting to beat up our drivers. The police officers said they

Nyon Conference Significance is Shown by Pravda

Soviet Government Warns of Pirates' Desire for Repetition of London Policies of 'Do-Nothing'

MOSCOW—"No matter what the possible practical results of this conference (to halt piracy in the Mediterranean), it is absolutely clear that its convening reflects the uneasiness of France and Great Britain at the pirate provocations of Italian warships which create a direct menace to European security and general peace."

The statement from Pravda, organ of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, expressed the attitude of the Soviets to ward the conference at Nyon, Switzerland, where Foreign Commissar Maxim Litvinoff in his initial speech announced that his country will take direct action to protect its shipping against attack.

Branded Italy

The Soviet Union, branding through the diplomatic evasions practiced by England, openly branded Italy as the country responsible for the pirate attacks which have sunk or otherwise stopped the ships of England, France and the Soviet Union.

"Fascist Italy," said Pravda, "is striving with the help of Hitler Germany to occupy a ruling position in the Mediterranean basin. This striving of the Italian fascists is directed primarily against Britain and France. To force Britain out of the Mediterranean would mean the loss to her of her dominant position in a number of countries bordering the Eastern Mediterranean, and first and foremost Egypt, the Sudan, Palestine and Arabia."

Security of Peace

"The Security of France to a great extent depends on uninterrupted contact between Continental and French colonial possessions in Africa. Italian fascism is striving to endanger this contact."

The Italian plan, baldly suggested in Mussolini's recently declared aim of turning the Mediterranean into an "Italian Sea" was described by Pravda as "the road to world war."

Evade "Do-Nothing" Piffal!

Izvestia, organ of the Soviet government, urged that definite action be taken against the aggressors, reminding Britain and France that if the Nyon conference takes the same course as the London Non Intervention Committee, the purpose of the Italian pirates would be accomplished.

At the same time, the Soviet government criticized the failure to include the Spanish government in the parley, Pravda commenting that "there is no shade of doubt regarding its right to be invited to this conference."

Soviet Peace Policy Subject of Forum

SAN FRANCISCO — "The Peace Policy of the Soviet Union," interpreted by a spokesman of the Communist Party, will be the subject of the regular open forum meeting sponsored by the American League Against War and Fascism Tuesday evening, Sept. 14, at 715 Ashbury Street.

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The Mediterranean Criminal Assumes the Defensive

AGAIN the Soviet Union has spoken out directly.

Foreign Commissar Litvinov is quoted by the Associated Press from Geneva, at a conference boycotted by Italy and Germany.

"Only those states can avoid participating in this conference which consider themselves guaranteed against piracy—either because they organize it themselves as an instrument of national policy or because of their extreme intimacy with the pirates."

For nations injured by the gangster of the Mediterranean (and Mussolini is that gangster) the obvious necessity is so clear that even the Tories of the British cabinet dared not speak openly against it. Shipping in the Mediterranean must be protected, not only as a measure guaranteeing the right of Republican Spain to receive supplies, but as a measure to prevent the entire Mediterranean sea from falling under control of the fascists.

The Soviet Union acted in the interest of world peace when it openly branded Mussolini and fascist Italy as the pirate and cleared up the "mystery" which was not a mystery.

Now the Soviet Union urges the only course to peace. That course is to stop the makers of war. For its part in promoting this opposition the Soviet Union merits the commendation of everyone who prefers peace to war and death and destruction. But the burden of opposition to the aggressors must come from England and from all nations who would take the side of peace.

By no means least, this means the United States. Never did "neutrality" stand more exposed as an instrument to furnish backhanded support to the fascist war plans.

Piracy must be ended in the Mediterranean! It can be ended only by stopping the pirates—by protection of the sea lines for all shipping, to Republican Spain and elsewhere.

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When apartment owners' associations boost rents, the intellectuals don't like moving to congested, insanitary living quarters any more than do the men who operate machines or move cargo.

And everybody knows what happened to the men of letters and science in Germany and Italy as soon as monopoly capital seized control of the state apparatus, and how Franco's firing squads liquidate all the artists and writers as soon as they capture a town.

A daily people's paper won't camouflage deliberate price-manipulation, or champion the landlords, or try to turn a legitimate expose of Nazi activities into a fairy tale.

It won't pander to the prejudices of intellectuals on the editorial page and insult their intelligence in the news and feature pages.

But it WILL bring to them the truth. It WILL voice their needs along with those of the millions of other workers of field and factory. It WILL champion their interests against the encroachments of the Tories.

And in doing these things, a daily people's newspaper will help to guarantee that intellectuals continue to eat.

That's why the voices of writers and lawyers and technical experts are telling us that the drive for a daily people's paper on the Pacific Coast must go over.

And Still the Will For Unity Persists

WHO ARE the foes of unity in the labor movement?

The employers, certainly, and also those American Federation of Labor "leaders" who engineered the expulsion of the Longshoremen and Warehousemen from the San Francisco Central Labor Council last Friday night.

It is not by accident that the expulsion, long delayed, was put through last week, while the waterfront unions are facing a lock-out concocted by the Teamsters' Union officials, the Draymen's Assn. and the open-shop "Committee of 43."

Those who would exterminate these organizations (Longshoremen and Warehouse-

men) may utilize even the employers today as an ally in eliminating them, but they can rest assured that when the employers have destroyed these real working-class organizations, they'll turn to these other organizations," declared E. F. Dillon, of Machinists No. 68.

Every union knows that it was the Longshoremen who revitalized the labor movement, who made possible the organization of tens of thousands of previously unorganized workers. In San Francisco, these Teamsters' officials will find it virtually impossible to break the bond of solidarity that exists between the Longshoremen and the membership of AFL unions.

It is this solidarity, this will for unity, upon which will smash the plan of the Teamsters' officials and the employers to destroy the waterfront unions, and upon which will again be built at no far distant future a united labor movement in San Francisco.

This will for unity is universal in the ranks of labor. It is expressing itself in the program of the progressive caucus at the State Federation of Labor convention in Long Beach. From coast to coast, it is expressing itself in the demand for a national unity convention for all unions, CIO, AFL and the Railroad Brotherhoods.

The Teamsters' officials, the AFL executive council can not check this demand for one labor movement. The fight for unity goes on.

Solidarity or— A Knife in the Back?

THEY SAY in the Navy that a fleet can move no faster than its slowest vessel. Such a fleet is the Maritime Federation of the Pacific. And it is time the sailors let go the lines and cast adrift a garbage scow like Joe St. Angelo.

The other night the longshoremen, a component part of the Maritime Federation, were expelled from the San Francisco Labor Council.

Only St. Angelo, of all the unlicensed seafaring union delegates, dared get up and state flatly:

"I am voting with this (Green's) telegram."

Neither John O'Connell nor John P. McLaughlin nor any of the old-line reactionaries in the Council dared red bait.

That doubtful distinction fell to Joe St. Angelo.

Joe St. Angelo doesn't make much of a splash. He is just a hack who used to drive a hack. But that night he was speaking for the Sailors' Union of the Pacific and we do not think he represented the sentiment of the sailors in voting for the expulsion of the Longshoremen.

There is war on the waterfront. The shipowners, using the Teamsters' Union officials as tools, have launched another attack against the I.L.A. That attack is aimed at all the waterfront unions. In the past the Maritime Federation, because of its solidarity, withstood all the shipowners' attack.

Will the shipowners succeed this time?

The answer rests in the first place with the seafaring unions. The Firemen and Cooks and Stewards in San Francisco have pledged to stick by the Longshoremen.

But St. Angelo and people like him prefer to drag inner Federation matters out before reactionaries like O'Connell and McLaughlin.

Will St. Angelo's policy of a knife in the back prevail?

Or will the seafaring unions stand by the slogan which made the Federation invincible: "An injury to one is an injury to all!"

The Street Car Men Past and Present

SAN FRANCISCO is host to the convention of the Amalgamated Association of Street, Electric Railway and Motor Coach Employees of America. The Western Worker wishes to extend greetings to the 100,000 traction and transit employees represented by the more than 600 delegates gathered in this city.

The Amalgamated, like all bona fide unions, was born in bitter battle—against the powerful anti-labor utility corporations. In its early days it wrote some of the most militant pages in America's labor history. With those days are associated some of the most beloved names of labor, including that of Tom Mooney, whose efforts in behalf of traction employees were in some measure responsible for the vengeance wrought against him by the Chamber of Commerce.

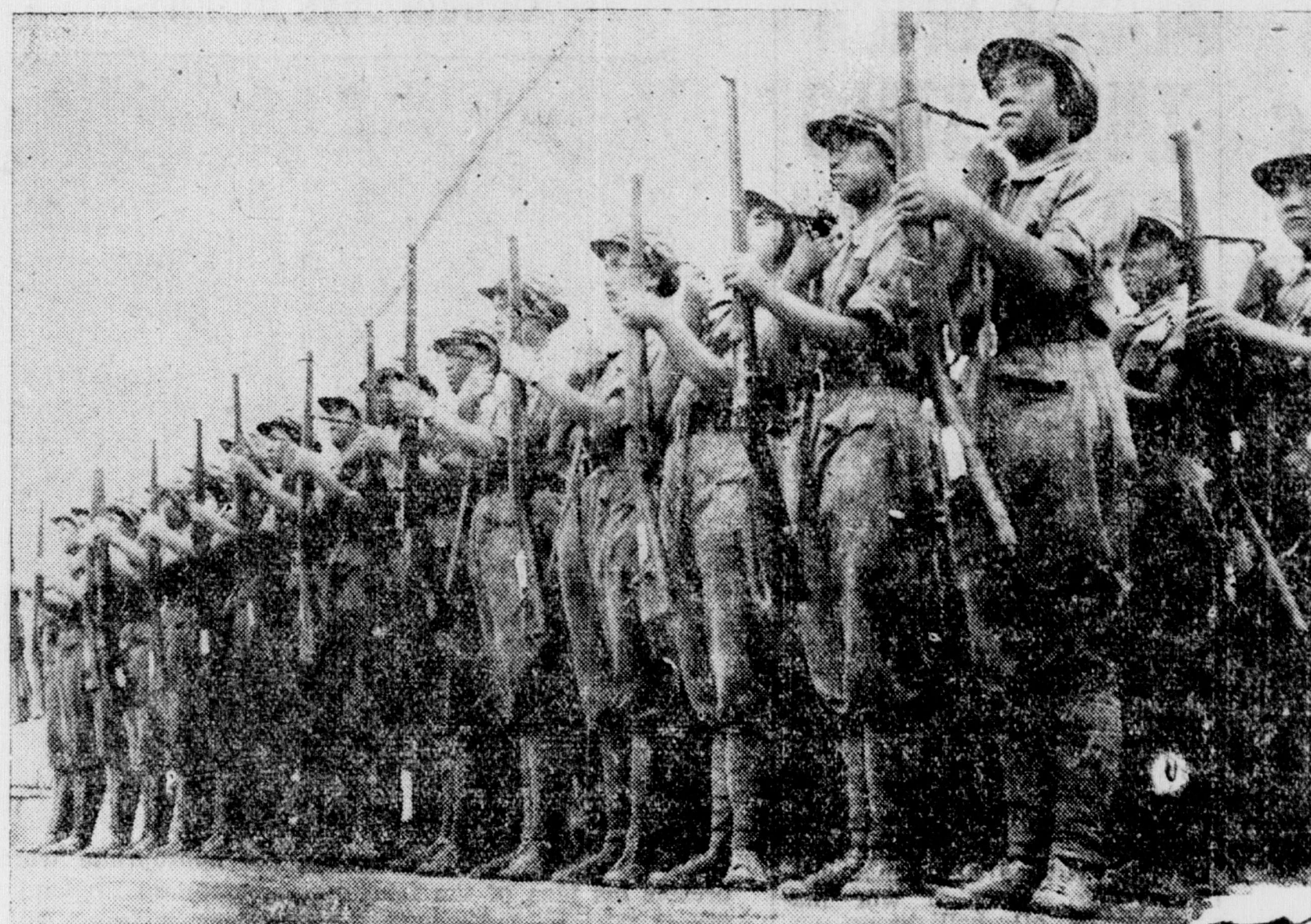
It is well to recall the past in meeting the problems of today. Nor is that past so far distant. The New York subway strike and the New Orleans street car strike are but recent reminders, within the past ten years, of what methods the employers use to safeguard the open shop.

Against these attacks of employers only UNITY and MILITANT ACTION have been effective. Today both policies have been deserted by the W. D. Mahon machine. The recent expulsion of 32 members in Oakland for refusing to cross the picket line of a brother AFL union, the welders, does not help unity. The guerrilla warfare of Mahon's agents against the CIO Transport Workers' Union which has succeeded in organizing New York's traction workers, a job Mahon failed to do, is not helping unity.

The strong arm rule in Chicago's Division 241, where all opposition to Joe Kehoe, local czar, is slugged down, does not advance the interests of the union.

The convention would serve best its own interests and those of the entire labor movement if it repudiated such policies and went on record for unity in the labor movement, for democracy within the union and for militant policies to protect the membership.

To Defend Their Homes and Children



A CHINESE WOMEN'S battalion lined up on a drill field near Shanghai for inspection of equipment. Thousands of women have volunteered for target instruction and field hospital work, as well as for actual combat, in the mighty wave of resistance to Japanese imperialism.

Collective Peace Action Can Stop Pacific War

By Harry Gannes

(This is the second of three articles explaining the international position of the United States in relation to the war in China and Spain.)

(Continued from last issue)

But the pacifist isolationist streams serve only to swell the torrent of reaction's strength against collective peace action.

It is not surprising to hear that the Liberty League and the reactionary Republicans (political instruments of the pro-Japanese financiers of Wall Street) favor the strictest of isolation. That view was expressed by none other than Hearst's mid-western spokesman, Senator Arthur H. Vandenberg.

Serious Question

But to find a growing sentiment for these views among honest advocates of peace and certain liberals is a serious question that must be faced if the campaign for collective action of the United States with other nations for peace in the Pacific to keep America out of war, is to gain any headway.

The arguments made in favor of isolation appear attractively simple. Their advocates admit a war is raging in China, Japan is the aggressor. The whole Pacific will soon be involved.

To avoid the embroilment of this country, they urge complete withdrawal of every American interest from the Far East. They urge every American to depart from China. They insist that all American ships, merchant and naval get out of the war zone. Every time Japan extends the theatre of action they favor still further withdrawal.

Won't Stop War

Would this stop the war in the Far East? The strict isolationists do not so admit. When pressed, they will admit it will encourage Japan to further aggression against China because the withdrawal of the United States from all collective efforts for peace in the Far East breaks down one of the greatest barriers Japan feared. They say they are not concerned with the fate of China but with the peace of America.

Would such a scuttling and run policy keep America out of war? No more than Nanking's first policy of doing the same thing in Manchuria saved the rest of China from Japan's attempt at conquest of the whole country.

Many who previously agreed that it was the constant retreat of the democratic powers before fascist war threats that encouraged the war-mongers now want the United States to be the first to give way to the Japanese militarist-fascist threat in the Far East.

Would Encourage War

American isolation would mean the end of all efforts at collective action between this country, Britain, the Soviet Union and France.

That would give more power to those British Tories who support the Japanese imperialists in the Far East and Hitler and Mussolini in Europe. It would encourage Japan and fascist Germany to extend the war in China to a war against the Soviet Union and the small European nations in Hitler's way.

If one accepts the inevitability of Japan's successful conquest of China and believes that nothing can be done about it, it follows that he must also accept the inevitability of Japan's next phase of that war—an attack on the Soviet Union and the United States. That is the inevitable logic of strict isolation.

Mechanical Approach

Let us examine some of the specific arguments made for the

extreme isolationist view. The New Republic of Sept. 1, 1937, entitled its editorial of policy for the Far East: "Should We Join in the War in China?" The answer is "No." A more mechanical approach could hardly be expressed. Is that all there is to it? Either we join the war with China against Japan or we can do nothing about it?

Followed up that argument means, the world must be abandoned to fascism and the war mongers. It is the ostrich policy carried to its most ridiculous extreme. The world is aflame, let us stick our heads into the American sands to avoid the fire; or what would be about as sensible, let us pass a law separating the United States physically from the rest of the globe and in that way hope to "keep America out of war."

The New Republic itself on more than one occasion endorsed the maxim of the indivisibility of war and peace. "War anywhere threatens peace everywhere" has received the plaudits of the New Republic. But when it comes to its most concrete application this liberal weekly gives way to Hearstian hysteria.

Two Identical Views

The New Republic argues: "We are building up in the Far East the same situation that existed in 1916 and helped to create the declaration of war against Germany early in the following year."

Turning to the blustering Gen. Hugh S. Johnson, we find him voicing identical views: "These slogans (those against Japanese aggression) sound exactly like those we heard here in 1914."

History is not a mechanical prayer-drum monotonously rotated by a sleepy devotee. The present situation is not an inevitable repetition of 1914-18, nor are the issues the same.

The fundamental question involved is Japan's aggression to transform China into a huge colony so that Japan may be better able to prepare a war against the Soviet Union and the United States.

Means New War

Those who believe that by running away from reality only 450,000,000 Chinese will suffer (something they say shouldn't concern us anyway) seem to forget that Japan's continuation and extension of the war to victory over China makes certain a war against the United States and the Soviet Union.

Japan's present war is a continuation of the war against Manchuria, is a large stepping stone leading from Italy's conquest of Ethiopia and the fascist invasion of Spain.

"Just as America's isolation from all of these previous events insured the bringing of the danger of war closer to American shores through the Far Eastern conflict, so putting our hands over our eyes now to avoid the dreadful sight will most certainly bring us right into the middle of the 'holocaust.'"

Isolation can be the program only of those who either consciously want Japan to conquer and extend the war, or those who unconsciously play into the hands of Japan and world fascist allies by tying this country's arms behind its back in any efforts to collaborate for peace.

The inconsistency of some of the liberals who advocate ostrich isolation is revealed in the following quotation from an editorial in the New York Evening Post, one of the most ardent advocates of erasing the Pacific from all American maps:

"Collective security," admitted the Post, "may offer a better means of preserving peace than isolationist neutrality legislation but it is too late to change our minds now, and it will

certainly be fatal to stand mid-stream in the Sino-Japanese conflict, hesitating."

Strange Logic

Now that's strange logic, the kind that will cost millions of American lives if it is to guide the destinies of this country. The Post agrees that collective security may offer a better means of preserving peace. But the war is here. Therefore, we must abandon what the Post is ready to agree is the better means to attain peace.

The main result, if isolationist views prevail, would be to block effective collaboration for peace. The United States would be prevented from joining in collective efforts with the Soviet Union, Britain, France and China, to impede Japan's drive for a world war.

The actual strategic significance of such isolationist steps would be like adding another squadron to Japan's navy and about ten divisions to the Mikado's Army.

Free Hand to Japan

Withdrawal of the United States would completely destroy any efforts to force Britain into the position of collective action; and France, which tags behind British policy, would follow suit. Japan would feel freer to attack the Soviet Union. The Japanese allies in Europe would feel stronger; and the war our isolationists hoped to isolate in the Orient would burst out in Europe with the flames shooting up at us from both East and West.

President Roosevelt and the American State Department realize that total abandonment would be disastrous to every American interest. Yet isolationist pressure and influence is so great in Washington that the Roosevelt administration has tried to reconcile the irreconcilable views.

What is the effect of the Roosevelt policy? Japan realizing the contradictions of American policy hopes to force the American government off the middle of the road over into the strict isolationist ditch. Tokyo militarists shoot American citizens in China, Japan establishes a blockade of the China coast. Americans are bluffed out of doing trade with China (a procedure, which has a two-sided effect: loss of business for Americans but what is more it interferes with the life and death issue of war supplies for China).

S. P. Position

An offspring of the extreme isolationist trend, decked out with left phrases, is the present position of the Socialist Party. At first slow to pay any attention whatever to Japan's invasion of China, the Socialist Party again exhibited its usual confusion and sectarianism. To this day it has not taken a stand on the question of the national unity of China, that is, the key question of the relation of the Communist Party to the Kuomintang.

Norman Thomas in his column in the Socialist Call (Aug. 29) presented the usual arguments for isolation plus an attack on the Communist position. The Fascist press in Italy and Germany like to describe the war danger as arising from the battle of the "Have-Nots" impoverished nations for room for expansion against the "Have-powers. Mussolini even calls Italy a "proletarian empire." Norman Thomas seems to find some merit in the argument that in the Far East it is a battle of the "Have-Nots" against the "Haves." The implication, of course being that the toilers should remain neutral as between a victory of Japan and China.

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2 Treaties Block War

Two treaties which primarily govern American relations to the present danger of war in the Pacific are the Kellogg Peace Pact and the Nine-Power Treaty. Japan would like to tear them up by her war actions in China.

However, the collective enforcement of these treaties would put powerful obstacles in Japan's desperate war drive.

Secretary of State Hull has already mentioned the provisions of these two treaties in the face of the grave danger of world war in the Pacific.

The British cabinet has mildly endorsed his views.

The enforcement of these treaties by collaboration of the United States, the Soviet Union, Britain and France, would be among the most formidable means of hampering Japan's aggression.

Below we publish the main provisions of the Nine-Power Treaty and the text of all the articles in the Kellogg Peace Pact:

Nine Power Pact

(Between the United States, Britain, the British Empire, China, France, Italy, Japan, the Netherlands and Portugal, agreed on by the delegates at Washington, on Feb. 6, 1922.)

ARTICLE I

The contracting powers, other than China agree:

1. To respect the sovereignty, the independence and the territorial and administrative integrity of China.

2. To provide the fullest and most unembarrassed opportunity to China to develop and maintain for herself an effective and stable government.

3. To use their influence for the purpose of effectually establishing and maintaining the principle of equal opportunity for the commerce and industry of all nations throughout the territory of China.

4. To refrain from taking advantage of conditions in China, in order to seek special rights or privilege which would abridge the rights of subjects or citizens of friendly states and from countenancing action inimical to the security of such states.

ARTICLE II

The contracting powers agree not to enter into any treaty agreement, arrangement or understanding, either with one another or individually or collectively, with any power or powers, which would infringe or impair the principles stated in Article I.

Kellogg Peace Pact

ARTICLE I

The High Contracting Parties solemnly declare in the name of their respective peoples, that they condemn recourse to war for the solution of international controversies and renounce it as an instrument of national policy in their relation with one another.

ARTICLE II

The High Contracting Parties agree that the settlement or solution of all disputes or conflicts, of whatever nature or of whatever origin they may be, which may arise among them, shall never be sought except by pacific means.

ARTICLE III

The present Treaty shall be ratified by the High Contracting Parties named in the preamble in accordance with their respective constitutional requirements, and shall take effect as between them as soon as all their several instruments of ratification shall have been deposited at Washington.

This Treaty shall, when it has come into effect as prescribed in the preceding paragraph, remain open as long as may be necessary for adherence by all the other powers of the world. Every instrument evidencing the adherence of a power shall be deposited at Washington and the Treaty shall, immediately upon such deposit become effective as between the power thus adhering and the other powers parties thereto.

It shall be the duty of the government of the U. S. A. to furnish each government named in the preamble, and every government subsequently adhering to this Treaty, with a certified copy of the Treaty and every instrument of ratification or adherence. It shall also be the duty of the government of the U. S. A. telegraphically to notify such governments immediately upon the deposit with it of each instrument of ratification or adherence.

In faith whereof the respective plenipotentiaries have signed the Treaty in the French and English languages, both texts having equal force, and hereunto affixed their seals.

Done at Paris, the twenty-seventh day of August, in the Year of the Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight.

Russian Farce to Open Bay Theater Union Season

What happens when two newly-married couples are forced to spend their honeymoon in one room is shown in a Russian farce, "Squaring the Circle," to be presented by the East Bay Theater Union, Saturday night, October 2, at the Finnish Workers' Hall, 1819 Tenth street, Berkeley.

The performance which will also include "Union Label," a one-act play describing labor conditions in an Eastern sweat-shop, is sponsored by I.L.A. Auxiliary No. 7, and will be given to benefit the Bonanza Springs Children's Camp.

Tickets can be obtained from Miss Mildred Van Every, at the Oakland YWCA, Webster and Fifteenth streets.

Little Theater Opens

Hum of theatrical activity has supplanted a vacation-imposed quiet as the Pasadena Community Playhouse forces prepare for Monday, October 4, and the reopening of the drama schedule with Barre Lyndon's New York and London success, "The Amazing Dr. Clitterhouse."

Dates of the Fall play schedule are "The Amazing Dr. Clitterhouse," October 4-16, "Accent On Youth," October 19-30, and "The Old Maid," November 2-13.

That Daily Paper

What Will It Mean?

True Story

This column thinks that few of us here in California really know just what enormous effect a daily paper in the hands of the workers will mean to the whole progressive movement in the West. It's pretty hard to a clear picture but there is one way in which we can look at things and come to some conclusion. We can do this by asking ourselves questions.

Has the once-a-week Western Worker and later, the twice weekly Western played an important and definite part in shaping the course of events in the West Coast labor movement?

Then let's ask another. If this is true (and we'll go to the alley with anyone who even hints it isn't) then what effect will a daily paper—a paper not handicapped by time intervals, a paper that will guard every interest of the working class day by day, a paper able and eager to answer the kept press blow for blow—what effect will such a weapon have in the coming greater struggles of the labor and progressive forces?

BREAD LINE

The long, sodden line of men stood slumped along the front of the Holy Name Mission on the Bowery in New York in the winter of 1931. A slow, listless rain fell from sullen, low-hanging clouds. Under the 3rd Avenue L cars swished along, their lights touching up the fine, misty particles of moisture.

The line stood patiently, the mission did not open until eight. The true force of the depression had struck an astounded America full in the face. And millions of men stood stoop-shouldered in a thousand soup lines.

Under the coat, he sheltered a sheaf of newspapers. Up the street came a short, round-faced man in a heavy overcoat. Quick blue eyes jumped from face to face as he came down the line offering his wares.

"Daily Worker," he called; "Daily Worker. Read the Daily Worker and find out what to do about the depression."

No one bought a paper, but this seemed not to bother the little man. He came to the middle before a young man, wearing only a wet, bedraggled sweater, put out a hand and stopped the vendor.

Perhaps the young man resented the other's apparent cheerfulness. His voice carried a surly undertone.

"Hey, fellow, why don't you go peddle your sheets some place where people have money to buy it? Think this is a line waiting to buy tickets to the Army-Navy game?"

The round man has stopped and seemed not to mind.

"I know what it is, son, and it's the proper place for MY papers," he said. "And I'd give 'em away if I could because here's where they belong."

The young man had turned back into the line, but the cheerful little man did not move on.

From under the protection of his coat, he deftly slipped a paper and placed it against the surly one's hand. "Here," he said, "You sound like the sort of lad who needs the paper. Read it over tonight when you get fixed up."

Black sweater took the paper and put it into his hip pocket without a word of thanks. The donor went on down the rest of the line.

"Daily Worker!" He did not sell a single paper.

Surly Brows came out of the Mission an hour later with a twenty-cent meal ticket and another pasteboard good for a 35c room at a hotel across the street.

In the restaurant, he got a huge mug of coffee and several stale donuts for 15c; a sack of makings for the other nickle. He ate the donuts slowly, then rolled a smoke and sipped the scalding coffee. The paper had escaped his sweater and stuck out of a hip pocket.

But the young man seemed to have forgotten it. He sat at the table for a long time staring at the fly-specked wall before him and sipping the coffee.

The tiny "chicken-wire" room looked clean and he shut the door. Then he swiftly stripped off the soggy clothing and tossed them upon the chair. The pants fell to the floor and in picking them up, he saw the paper. Pulling it from the pocket, he slipped into the narrow bed and began to read by the light of the dim globe.

Who was this embittered fellow who read his first "Daily" in a cheap New York "flophouse" in the winter of '31? We won't give you more than one guess.

WORKERS' HEALTH

By FRANKLIN E. BISSELL

Has Enlarged Prostate

Dear Comrade Doctor:

I have had trouble with passing water since 1910. A doctor at the veteran's hospital told me I should have my prostate operated on. I have two small ruptures. Could they be partly the cause of my trouble? I am earning just enough to exist on.

Answer: You evidently have an enlarged prostate gland and, if a doctor has seen you and advised you to have it operated on, he is in a much better position, having examined you, to determine the necessity for such an operation. I would advise you to have the veterans' hospital give you this operation. The ruptures probably have nothing to do with the other condition. The dollar that you sent will be turned over to the Western Worker fund.

Our Constitution Bears the Fiery Brand Of Tory-Hating, Freedom-Loving Men

By CLINT DUFF

Buried away in the old Pennsylvania Archives is a little-known document that answers more questions about the Constitution of the United States than a thousand contemporary speeches.

That paper contains the essence of the first American Revolution. Framed in the year of 1776 in liberty-loving Philadelphia and fathered by Ben Franklin, America's wisest revolutionist, this document stands with the Declaration of Independence in giving the true Spirit of the Period.

The paper is the 1776 Constitution of Pennsylvania. This beacon light of democracy proves definitely that our revolutionary forefathers intended a constitution to be a guarantee of "life, liberty and pursuit of happiness." In comparing this 1776

"All men are born equally free and independent and have certain natural inherent and inalienable rights, among which are the enjoying and defending life and liberty, equality, possessing and protecting property, and pursuing and obtaining happiness and safety."

"Government is instituted for the common benefit, protection and security of the people, nation or community and not for the particular emolument or advantage of any single man, family, or set of men, who are a part only of the community; and that community hath an indubitable, inalienable and indefensible right to reform, alter or abolish government, in such manner as shall be by that community judged, most conducive to the public welfare."

From "Declaration of the Rights of the Inhabitants of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania"—Sept 28, 1776.

constitution with the U. S. Constitution of 1787 we shall see that the fighting patriots of that era intended that the constitution should belong to the people.

Tories of Today Frantic

We shall see that they have incorporated in these documents indestructible liberties and rights. In trying to hide this fact, the Republicans and Tory Democrats of today are falling head over heels in their frantic attempts to prove that our great constitution far from being a bill of rights is a bill of sale of the country to its big exploiters.

The Liberty League interpre-

tation of our Constitution is a far cry from the true intent of the revolutionary founders of our nation. The true patriots considered that the only purpose of the Constitution was to guarantee and administer the "rights of man." As Tom Paine, spokesman for the revolution, put it: "The true and only basis of representative government is equality of rights." (Dissertation on Government).

Bill of Rights Basic

In line with this revolutionary interpretation of the Constitution, the patriots of '76 considered a "bill of rights" as the cornerstone of fundamental law. The before-mentioned Pennsylvania constitution puts first and foremost in Chapter I a "Declaration of Rights." Two of the sixteen sections are reprinted above to give an inkling to the several blow struck against semi-feudal reaction by this declaration.

Transcending even the class character of struggle, the ascension of the American bourgeois to power, this remarkable broadside like the Declaration of Independence declares against the domination "of any single man, family, or set of men." With almost uncanny foresight, these two declarations seem to warn of the rise of the exploiting Morgan, Mellon and Rockefeller families.

With this widespread demand for liberty and happiness for the common people the reactionaries failed miserably to exclude such a declaration from the Constitution of 1787. Illegally convened, illegally assuming the power to draft a constitution, meeting in secret behind locked doors, the United States Constitutional Convention was dominated by democracy-hating diehards, such as Alexander Hamilton, James Madison and John Jay.

Paine Smelt a Rat

On the other hand the true revolutionists were not present. Tom Paine heartily disapproved of the undemocratic procedure of the gathering "smelt a rat" and boycotted the convention. Thomas Jefferson was serving his country in Paris as the new nation's representative to France. Sam Adams, fiery propagandist, was out-manuevered by the politicians of his state and consequently not appointed to the convention.

Reaction was in the saddle. Exclaimed Alexander Hamilton at the convention:

"All communities divide themselves into the few and the

many. The first are the rich and well born, the other the mass of the people." Proposing that the president and senate be elected for life, Hamilton continued his counter-revolutionary gloating: "Can a democratic assembly who annually revolve in the mass of the people, be supposed steadily to pursue the public good? Nothing but a permanent body can check the imprudence of democracy."

Dark Plots Described

A contemporary Philadelphia gives this description of the convention:

"So hastily and eagerly did the states comply (with the surprise call of Congress for the Convention) that their legislatures, without the slightest authority, without ever stopping to consult the people, appointed delegates, and the concave met at Philadelphia."

"To it came a few men of character, some more noted for cunning than patriotism, and some who had always been enemies to the independence of America. The doors were shut, secrecy was enjoined and what then took place no man could tell. But it was well known that the sittings were far from harmonious."

"Some left the dark conclave before the instrument was framed. Some had the firmness to withhold their hands when it was framed. But it came forth in spite of them, and was not many hours old when the manner tools of despotism were carrying petitions about for the people to sign praying the legislature to call a convention to consider it."

Ruthless Treachery

The reactionary bourgeois, thirsting for power, saw its chance to put something over on the citizens of the new republic. With the ruthless treachery of a Mussolini or Hitler, they sought to maneuver through a document that would insure the continual exploitation of the people by a domineering minority, the rising commercial and land-owning monarchs. Using the tactics that are so familiar to us today, the big bugs of 1787 tried to stampede the people into abandoning their most elementary rights "in order to avert the financial ruin of the country."

But Hamilton and his henchmen did not reckon with the revolutionary staunchness of the people. A mighty wave of protest surged up in every section of the thirteen states. The people of the nation had fought with rifles in their hands for seven long years for their "inherent

right to enjoy and defend liberty." They did not intend to surrender that right now to a handful of traitors to the revolution at home. They wanted their "bill of rights."

When the Constitution went before the state conventions, six of the first eleven states to ratify the document proposed amendments, 105 in all. Several states demanded that another convention be called to consider and incorporate these changes, the majority of which were aimed to insure civil liberties.

Although such a process was followed in framing the great Soviet Constitution of 1936, such a convention would be far too democratic for the rising American bourgeois of 1787. The upshot of the matter was that Congress took upon itself the task of whittling down this great number of amendments to a "reasonable number" and then submitted these to the states for adoption.

Steamroller Tactics

Continuing these steamroller tactics, the "Federalists" the party of the financial and shipping interests, succeeded in having a committee of eleven appointed, one from each state, to examine all proposed amendments and report to Congress on their desirability.

Like many such conferences of the period, the detailed moves of this committee are rather obscure. Without a doubt, however, these eleven scuttled many proposed changes which would prove of immense value to the twentieth century struggle against reaction.

Among the amendments lost were those modeled on the 1776 Pennsylvania frame of government which provided for a single house legislature with congressmen elected annually, for a Supreme Court appointed for 7 years but "removable for misbehavior at any time" by the legislature, and for an executive council of 12 members elected for three years but having no veto power over the assembly.

Even today, these revolutionary proposals of our patriot fathers have their only parallel in socialist U.S.S.R. where millions of happy soviet citizens live under the most democratic constitutions of all time.

A Great Victory

These amendments reconstructing the frame of government were knocked out as would have been the entire slate of changes had it not been for the aroused common people. The militance of the fighting patriots saved the day; the Tories did not dare

deny the people their bill of rights.

With the adoption of the first of the ten amendments to the Constitution in 1790 the people of America won a great victory. By this bill of rights, the cauterizing stamp of the revolution was put on our constitution. Point for point, sometimes even with the same phrases, these amendments were patterned after the fiery "Declaration of Rights" of the Pennsylvania patriots.

Every flaming right so vigorously flaunted in 1776 was carefully incorporated in 1787: freedom of speech, freedom of assembly, freedom of the press, the right of every man to an impartial trial by jury, to the immunity of his person and property from unwarranted seizure, search or arrest; and finally the glorious "right of the people to keep and bear arms" in defense of their newly-won rights. All this was made the fundamental law of our land 150 years ago.

Fundamentally our constitution belongs to the American people. But the reactionaries of this country did not surrender in 1776. Right then and still they plot and maneuver ways to use the constitution and even the Bill of Rights against the great mass of people.

Warnings From the Past

Those mighty phrases forbidding abridging freedom of speech or of press did not prevent the liberty-hating John Adams' administration from passing the infamous Alien and Sedition law in 1800. Nor did this prevent the tory administrations of 1917-18 from enacting the Espionage Act and conducting the brutal Palmer Raids. Nor will any documentary rights prevent the power-mad bourgeoisie from inflicting new atrocities on the people in the future.

The practical interpretation of our constitution has been and will be determined not alone by the force of written words but primarily by the force of bitter class struggle. This is the lesson of the past.

If the constitution is to be used in the spirit of the first American revolution, it is necessary for all progressive political forces of the period to unite, regardless of party label, and fight to maintain those rights stated in the Constitution.

The glorious victories of the Jeffersonian Democratic era and the Lincoln Republican period demonstrate to progressives of the present day how to make our constitution the property of the people.

Workers Write On Soviet Russia

Among the contestants in the \$10,000 cash prize essay contest of 500 words or less on "What the Soviet Union Means to Humanity," which is being conducted by the monthly magazine, Soviet Russia Today, are men and women in such occupations as:

Laborers, carpenters, teachers, gas-fitters, machinists, printers, telegaphers, loggers, farmers, office workers, bakers, musicians, pressers, engineers, Cod lumberjacks as well as students, miners, WPA workers, editors, doctors, clergymen. They come from all over the country, as well as from Canada, Honolulu, Alaska, and Mexico, and by the time the contest ends, on September 15th, it will undoubtedly be one of the most successful of this kind ever run.

The first prize will be \$500; the other prizes are \$150; \$100; and many prizes of five dollars each. All essays should be sent to the Contest Committee, 824 Broadway, New York City. They should be written on one side of the paper only with first page headed by name, address, and occupation of contestant. They should be limited to 500 words, and can be written on any phase of the subject, "What the Soviet Union Means to Humanity."

instructed their National Committee to take the necessary steps to establish it immediately.

Within Cedillo's own stronghold, San Luis Potosi, all labor, peasants' and progressive organizations have formed a united front against Cedillo, calling upon the government to call a halt to his activities.

It seems certain that with the virtually unanimous backing of the workers, peasants and progressives, a Cardenas victory in any showdown would be assured.

Cedillo seems aware of this, and may leave the country in the near future. This would leave in the lurch those reactionary imperialist forces like the American Smelting Company, with large holdings in San Luis Potosi, which have been foremost in building Cedillo to his high standing. Also disappointed would be those reactionary Catholic circles in the United States which had been planning to back Cedillo for president in the next election.

SHOWDOWN BETWEEN CARDENAS GOVERNMENT AND FASCISTS LOOMS IN MEXICO

(Special Dispatch)

MEXICO CITY.—A general showdown between the progressive Cardenas government and the active fascist forces of Mexico is considered likely within the very near future here as a result of the ouster of General Saturnino Cedillo from the cabinet on August 16.

Gen. Cedillo held the post of Secretary of Agriculture until he was forced to resign by President Lazaro Cardenas.

If the general does not peacefully accept his expulsion and migrate abroad to live in Germany or Italy, it is believed highly probable that he will attempt an armed rebellion against the government, which he has been planning for a long time.

Cached Arms

It is not thought possible that Cardenas, however, will look on unconcerned while the fascist forces feverishly organize and aim in preparation for a counter-revolution. There is proof aplenty that they have cached large quantities of arms. After his ouster, Gen. Cedillo returned to the State of San Luis Potosi where he has held the reins of power and concentrated his efforts against the government.

The government is well aware that Cedillo commands a formidable and well-trained army which is in no way connected with the Federal Army, but is under his orders alone. All reports concur that this force numbers no less than 20,000 men, including officers.

On May 1 last, one newspaper declares a large portion of Cedillo's army paraded through the streets of San Luis Potosi, capital of the state of the same name.

No Tanks

They included two battalions of territorial troops; trained and disciplined two heavy tanks; four light tanks; eight combat planes with wings dismantled; four armored trucks; and a number of other trucks piled high with war equipment, including gas masks.

Other observers here hold,

back to the stage on the tenth anniversary of Sacco and Vanzetti's dastardly murder by the class justice of capitalist democracy—and, incidentally, on the tenth anniversary of the International Labor Defense. It will run for 2 weeks.

however, that since the Federal Army has no tanks, Cedillo cannot possibly have any.

In the Aug. 29 issue, El Machete, Communist Party organ, charged that the "government" of San Luis Potosi some weeks ago bought 14 airplanes, including bombers as well as pursuit planes.

The funds for the purchase of these planes and large ammunition stores came from a half million pesos garnered from taxes on the petroleum industry, as well as other funds, El Machete declares.

The newspaper notes that the planes were naturally bought "for commercial purposes," but are of a type which can speedily be converted into bombers and fighting planes.

El Machete then points out that the Military Industrial School of the state is manufacturing aerial bombs, "which nicely complements the 'commercial planes'."

Salt Monopolies

The danger of these seditious activities is heightened by "the complicity between Cedillo and the present head of the army zone, General Carrera Torres, whose participation in the salt monopoly is well known."

Adolf Hitler has his fingers in the fascist pudding in Mexico as well as Spain and other countries. Chief of Staff of Cedillo's private army is a German, Col. Ernest von Merck.

Merck won his spurs by breaking strikes in the most orthodox terrorist manner in 1931-32 as police chief of San Luis Potosi. He has six other German officers as aides.

Evidence that outside help was coming to Mexico from Guatemala in the form of smuggled ammunition was presented to the War Ministry by the Mexican Confederation of Labor (CTM) through its secretary, Vicente Lombardo Toledano in early August.

Toledano's Charges

Toledano's charges aroused the country and earned him a violent attack from the reactionaries.

Though attention is at present centered on San Luis Potosi, Cedillo and his cohorts have groups and arms caches in virtually every other Mexican state.

Never since the prohibition

SEEING RED

Teamster Officials Hard Pressed To Please Workers and Big '43'

By MICHAEL QUINN

J. P. McLaughlin, head of the local Teamsters' Union, has tackled the biggest job of his career. The Montgomery Street swivel chair boys are sitting on the edges of their chairs waiting to see how he comes out. If he can put it over they will have accomplished what they have been trying to do ever since the '34 strike—smash rank and file control in the waterfront unions. They are none too sure McLaughlin can swing the deal.

His job is to harness the teamsters to the strike-breaking chariot of the "Committee of 43" and ride rough-shod over the IILA.

Aces High With Bosses

It's doubtless the toughest assignment McLaughlin has been handed in all his years of subservience to the Montgomery Street oligarchy. His record in the past, together with the fact that he has no sensible issue to base his attacks on, all weigh heavily against him in reckoning the odds. If you ask me, he'd have about as much chance trying to sell the United States Navy to Sweden.

During the '34 strike, McLaughlin and the late Mike Casey rode a double-seated bike with the employers throughout the whole conflict. There was hardly a conference or occasion that came up that McLaughlin and Casey weren't called in by the Industrial Association for would return to work after the signing of the advice and cooperation.

Paul Eliel, director of Industrial Relations for the Association, wrote a detailed record of the 1934 strike in which McLaughlin, Casey, Beck, and other teamster officials stand revealed as virtual agents of the organized employers. When the Association was laying its plans to open the port by violence (the plans which resulted in Bloody Thursday) McLaughlin and Casey were "included in conferences from the very first."

"Everything to All Men"

During that period, McLaughlin and Casey received numerous "assignments" from the Industrial Association, and made repeated "guarantees" and "promises," none of which they were able to carry out.

According to Eliel, these officials vowed in rapid succession that: (1) The teamsters would continue to haul freight regardless of the long-shore strike; (2) The teamsters would haul freight to the pier heads but not onto the docks; (3) The teamsters would be glad to haul freight of employers would sneak it out via the Belt Line Railroad and unload it on remote industrial sidings; (4) The teamsters infamous June 16th agreement and would force the longshoremen to accept it whether they liked it or not; (5) The teamsters would positively not go out in the general strike.

This was all hog-wash, of course. The teamsters revolted against McLaughlin and Casey and refused to carry through one of those degenerate propositions. Throughout the whole strike, McLaughlin and Casey were desperately trying to convince Montgomery Street that they were still useful and could "control" the teamsters. They made an awful mess of it from the Industrial Association point of view.

In the Teamsters' Bulletin of September 2 (Vol. 1, No. 1), McLaughlin states that the teamsters deserve the whole credit for winning the 1934 strike for the longshoremen. They deserve plenty of credit. There is no doubt of that. They were one of the major factors. Their solidarity was a thing that organized labor will be proud of for all time. The teamsters were game, honest and loyal.

Silent on Rank and File Rebuff

But McLaughlin fails to mention one of the most significant and creditable things that the teamsters did during those difficult days. He fails to mention how they kicked him (McLaughlin) and Mike Casey in the pants and told them where to get off at. During the whole affair McLaughlin was nothing but a jumping-jack on the end of an Industrial Association buzzer-button. He was a disgrace to humanity and a shame to organized labor—and everyone who remembers those days knows it.

What McLaughlin is trying to do now is redeem himself in the eyes of Montgomery Street. He's trying to show his swivel chair pals (also Dan Tobin and Beck) that he's not the south end of a horse, but all he is doing is lifting his tail and proving it beyond all dispute.

And Montgomery Street (God help their lousy souls) is sorely afraid I am right.

This past record doesn't make McLaughlin a very good bet for the swivel chairs. And on top of that, he has no issue.

Pleasing Montgomery Street

Take the warehouse proposition. McLaughlin claims that the teamsters have jurisdiction. Montgomery Street is most anxious for him to establish that jurisdiction. Presumably, he had jurisdiction for a quarter of a century and never made the slightest effort to organize the warehousemen. That's the kind of jurisdiction Montgomery Street likes.

The only reason McLaughlin and the Industrial Association are hot under the collar is because the IILA really organized these men. Let the warehousemen take a vote and see where McLaughlin heads in.

That leaves McLaughlin with nothing but the red herring to campaign on. He has to convince the teamsters that they should go next door and bust their neighbor in the jaw to suppress a Communist revolution. I know one San Francisco family where one son is a teamster, the other is a longshoreman, and the daughter is a stenographer. Do you think McLaughlin is going to get one of those brothers to strangle the other in the name of patriotism? The CIO is also organizing the stenographers. I suppose he would have these guys beat up on their sister.

Merchants' & Manufacturers' Plot vs. Banning Strikers

WORKERS' CORRESPONDENCE

New Timber Unions Marched In Mendocino Labor Parade

Teamo Says Lockout Cooked Up by McLaughlin and Bosses

HEIST BARES BOSSES' HAND IN BANNING

Merchants-Manufacturers Dictate Moves For Strikebreaking

By a Worker Correspondent

BANNING, Riverside County.—Packing the Beaumont union hall and overflowing into the hallway, members of the Tunnel, Subway and Aqueduct Workers Union and their families gathered together Sunday night, in open mass meeting to review their strike activities against the Metropolitan Water District.

A motion picture showing activities on the picket lines and revealing the acts of Sheriff Carl Rayburns' thugs, was shown by the Film and Photo League. Rev. Ralph Heist, public relations director for the CIO, was introduced by William Gately, representing the Intl. Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers.

Exposes, Strikebreakers

Rev. Heist, who has personally investigated every phase of the struggle for union recognition on the aqueduct, declared the Metropolitan and its engineering superintendent, D. C. Ledbetter, had no more right to use taxpayers' money to advertise their side of the strike and their need for scabs, than did the union to present its just demands to the public. "The same folk who are paying you are paying them."

Heist, clearly reviewed the three stages of a strike and the fact that Ledbetter followed to the letter the formula laid down by the union fighters of the Merchants & Manufacturers Assn. First, the union does not represent the men; "The union merely represents 20 per cent of the men who have been intimidated by the other 80 per cent. In other words you miners voted almost solid action because you like to be pushed around by 20 per cent of the majority."

Hits Red Baiting

Second, strike led by a lot of radicals stage: "If there are any Communists in your union, it's because the Metropolitan Water District hired them, and if they were good enough to meet the qualifications for the job, they're good enough to be in your union," said Rev. Heist.

The third stage he described as the great "back-to-work" movement, the flagrant use of public funds to advertise for scabs in order to frighten the men back to work. "No man except one with a yellow streak or very ignorant or one paid by the company is going to talk back to work."

Continue Fight

Urging the strikers to continue their spirited front, Heist said: "You men are fighting the battle for the whole CIO movement in Southern California. Hold out until public support helps you forth this progressive advance of the CIO to achievements which some day your children will be proud of."

Pointing to the rising public support in Los Angeles Heist said: "The reason we're getting public opinion on our side is the fact that you men have conducted yourselves and what your women have done." He urged the strikers to continue their wise policy of refusing to be trapped by the company's thugs hired to antagonize them and to provoke disorder.

Questioned on the technical point of the Wagner Law's jurisdiction over the aqueduct workers, Rev. Heist replied:

"It is debatable whether or not the project can be considered the work of a government agency, but if men are not treated like human beings on Government jobs these men should have as much right to strike as any other workers."

A settlement could be made tomorrow morning if your strike committee were permitted to sit across the table with Metropolitan officials."

Lundberg's Plan To 'Organize' Inland Boatmen Is Flop

SAN FRANCISCO.—Indicating that Harry Lundberg, Sailors' Union of the Pacific secretary, has given up his plans to "organize" the members of the Inland Boatmen's Union, recently affiliated to the CIO, into the SUP, his "organizer," Joe St. Angelo, resigned from that job at the SUP headquarters branch meeting last week.

Only three IBU members are known to have been "organized" by the SUP, and they were promptly taken off their jobs by the IBU. The Maritime Federation District Council No. 2 voted full support to the IBU in its defense of its membership.

L. A. CIO Aids Banning Strike

By a Tunnel Striker
BANNING, Riverside County.—Following a unanimous vote in favor of requesting all members of the Los Angeles CIO Council to send funds to the strike fund of Local 1270, Tunnel, Subway and Aqueduct Workers Union, a collection was taken up among attending members of the council recently to the amount of \$74.50. This sum was immediately turned over to our strike fund.

S. F. CANDY UNION ASKING AGREEMENT WITH CLOSED SHOP

Rank and File Win Democratic Set-up Despite Lundquist

By a Candy Worker

SAN FRANCISCO.—The candy workers are ready to disturb the bosses' leisure by requesting a meeting in which to present demands for a real workers' rank-and-file agreement. The Industrial Assn. handles the employers' end of negotiations, and the workers are prepared with their newly elected progressive business agent, a lawyer and an elected rank-and-file committee of 13 acting on behalf of the union to jam the arguments of the Industrial Assn. down their fat throats.

Lundquist Failed

Lundquist, secretary of the Bakers' Union, parent local of the candy union, used every possible method to kill initiative of rank-and-file members, to abolish majority rule in the union, and to keep the "gentlemen's agreement" in effect.

However, the militant element was not disheartened by setbacks at the hands of Lundquist, and set about to change things. A business agent was elected, the union secured a separate office, a shop stewards system was established, a continuous lip-to-lip campaign to expose the inadequacy of the verbal pact was carried on.

Also pointed out was the bad effects on the union of a verbal agreement. Bit by bit Lundquist and his group of confused members were isolated, and when the time for a showdown came, they were defeated in their attempt to kill the proposal for procuring a closed-shop contract.

Marched Labor Day

District Organizer Larripper, generally accepted as a tin god, was afraid even to open his mouth against a move to elect an agreement committee—he kept his efforts to attempting to discredit the business agent, who happens to be honest.

Although participating in the Labor Day parade was passed at the last minute, the candy workers had a fair turnout. The women marched in the Bakers' Auxiliary and the men lined up behind the Bakers'. The candy workers didn't win a prize for being fancy but the enthusiasm was there.

Against Teamo Officials

Many members are bitter at the policy pursued by the Teamsters Union officials—many members lose work due to loss of export shipments. The candy workers are at its best from now till Christmas, and the fight-to-finish policy of the Teamster officials also weakens the efforts to obtain a good agreement. However, the members are getting an education that will prove a boomerang to the bosses and their fakirs.

Soviet Quads Happy

MOSCOW.—When 37-year-old Anna Petrovna Markelova, wife of a statistical worker gave birth to quadruplets, the city soviet of Khvalynsk in Saratov Province provided a new apartment for the family and gave them a substantial grant.

BANNING TUNNEL UNION WILL FURNISH 40 AFFIDAVITS TO LA FOLLETTE GROUP

BANNING, Riverside County.—The Senate LaFollette civil liberties committee has requested affidavits from the Tunnel, Subway & Aqueduct Workers Union, CIO, it has been announced by J. B. Leavers, chairman of the union publicity committee.

"We will send them 40 sworn affidavits dealing with police brutality and use of public funds to break the strike," said Leavers.

"Riverside law enforcement agencies are making a united attempt to break the strike."

"Recommendations for bail set by District Attorney Earl Redwine have been exorbitant in many instances. Deputies of Sheriff Carl Rayburn have beaten and threatened our pickets, have arrested 36 of them and

PROVE BANNING SCABS MAKING NO HEAD-WAY

Union Produces Affidavit Of Man Who Worked in San Jacinto Tube

By a Worker Correspondent

BANNING, Riverside County.—Claims by Metropolitan Water District officials that its scabs are making progress in the San Jacinto tunnel, struck by the Tunnel, Subway & Aqueduct Workers Union, were exposed here in an affidavit sworn to by a man who was down in the tunnel as follows:

"Jack Hansen, being first duly sworn, deposes and says: 'That I have worked at Potrero Shaft, of the Metropolitan Water District, from August 25 to August 30, 1937, on the Day Shift, inclusive.

No Progress by Scabs

"The date I went to work, there were three miners for all shifts, day, swing and graveyard. At the present time there are four miners, one being a professional scab. They are attempting, the Metropolitan Water District Staff, to break in mucking machine runners to operate the Conway Mucking Machines.

"The men employed in the tunnel drilled a nine-foot round, with 11-foot rib holes. A total of 14 cars of muck was broke from this round. A nine foot round ordinarily breaks 35 to 40 cars of muck.

Few Experienced Men

"There is one mucking machine operator, for three shifts. One former motorman is breaking in on a mucking machine. This ex-motorman had the mucker off the track four times on one shift. The only other skilled workers they have are as follows: one electrician, this man working more than eight hours underground; one motorman, experienced, with three other men attempting to operate motors, without any previous knowledge of this equipment.

"It is my understanding that it is contrary to state law to have inexperienced men operating motors underground. There is one machine doctor (drill repair man), he being the master mechanic. There were as many as six machines off the drilling jumbo in one shift. These drilling machines are being run by laborers who have never run a machine before. These men do not know how to connect air and water lines to these machines.

Equipment Deteriorating

"All the equipment is gradually deteriorating for want of repairs. There are no men who have the necessary capability to make repairs to this equipment. On August 30, there was but one motor that would operate, but not at 100% efficiency, it having a broken axle.

District Staff Lies

"There is no re-tempering being done. There are armed deputies underground; in fact there seemed to me to be one deputy behind every 'plumb post.' To my best knowledge, there are possibly 80 men employed, but with the few exceptions mentioned, none are skilled workmen.

"In my opinion there could be five times this number of men and still no progress could be made. The District Staff made statements that they will soon have the 'boys' starved out and that they will start coming back to work."

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Report Dual Alaska Union

By An Alaska Canner

SAN FRANCISCO.—Rumors of long-standing that the Feliciano clique, expelled from the Alaska Cannery Workers Union for Anti-union activities, was organizing a dual "union," were supplemented recently by a worker who stopped the writer of this article to tell him that he had seen with his own eyes 20 men signed up into this "union," for which they were asked \$2 apiece for initiation. This so-called "union" will never get to first base.

(NOTE—E. D. Vandeleur recently announced he had given an AFL charter to a new "Alaska Cannery Workers' Union," which he claimed had signed up 200 members. Workers' Correspondence Editor.)

RANK-FILE TEAMOS SUPPORT PALO ALTO CLERKS VS. MARKET

President Market Persists in Anti-Union Stand

By a Worker Correspondent

PALO ALTO.—A mass picket line was thrown around the President Market here by the Retail Clerks Union. This seal by market, on the pretense of closing out, which event is scheduled to continue for the next four months, refuses to hire a second crew at union wages for Sunday's work, or pay overtime scales to its workers.

With the signing of the Bi-Rite Market, every other market in town except the President, has come around to finally the "radical" principle that workers are entitled to one day's rest in seven, unless time and a half is paid, or additional employees are hired.

Some of the union clerks went to San Jose, where a Dave Beck "goon" told them that teamsters would crush the picket line. This, of course, was a hope and not a fact, as union draymen consistently support their fellow workers who don't make the teamsters' \$6 a day despite their officials.

Solidarity Shown

Already the teamsters delivering milk to the Golden State Dairy Creamery here have brought the filled bottles back to the wagons when they heard this creamery, a branch of the big Golden State outfit, was violating federal law and forcing their employees to break their backs at slave wages.

The Golden State Creamery has refused to allow union conditions and organization, evidently preferring that their young workers labor so hard all day that when night comes they have no energy or sufficient cash to live an American standard of living. The creamery is on University Ave.

Injunction Sought

The President Market owner attempted to get an injunction against the union's right to picket, which is guaranteed by Palo Alto Municipal Council action (four months ago—see files of Western Worker) and a decision of the California Supreme Court.

Many a buyer, upon finding out the outfit was non-union, suddenly decided they didn't need the wrapped goods. Hence the rush to the courts by the owner to save his set-up.

Prune Pickers Are Highly Exploited

By a Worker Correspondent

YOUNGVILLE, Napa County.—Only \$3 per ton, about 40 boxes per ton, will be paid to prune pickers this year, which means that the average picker will make an average of \$2 or less per day's work, providing he works from daylight until he can't see the prunes any more.

Many impoverished families are flocking to the prune orchards seeking work, which means that a big part of the picking will be done by child labor.

Bounties Prepared

As Cotton Glut Nears

WASHINGTON.—Dangers of a cotton glut loom larger than ever with the government estimate of the 1937 crop increased by a half million bales over their last estimate. The latest prediction is 16,098,000 bales.

Last year only 12,398,882 bales were produced but even this was a big increase over the 10,638,000 of 1935. Meanwhile the government machinery for advancing a 9-cent-a-pound on this year's crop proceeded to the stage of getting application forms into the field.

NEW UNIONS IN FORT BRAGG'S LABOR PARADE

Lumber & Sawmill Unions Had 500 Members in Line of March

By a Worker Correspondent

FORT BRAGG, Mendocino County.—Newly organized Lumber and Sawmill Workers of Fort Bragg and Caspar turned out in force Labor Day to show their strength.

These unions, Local 2326 of Fort Bragg and Mendocino and Local 2828 of Caspar, have been in existence less than two months, and the members are well pleased that some 500 members were in the line of march.

Union Kids

There was a small delegation of the women, and a group of children, who carried a sign declaring that "we want a union when we grow up."

The parade passed the office of the Fort Bragg Advocate, that has distinguished itself by constant and unintelligent opposition to union labor and also passed the company store of the Union Lumber Co., where the boys noticed Otis Johnson, general manager of the company, among the watchers.

Held Pep Meeting

Otis Johnson is the son of C. R. Johnson, who once declared that there never would be a union in Fort Bragg while he was alive. C. R. Johnson is still living.

Following the parade the men had an informal pep meeting, with short speeches by the president of the Caspar local and a member of the Fishermen's union at Noyo. Formation of a women's auxiliary was begun.

On Saturday night, September 4, the Fort Bragg union held a dance, and was well satisfied that the dance was a financial success. The union was even more pleased with the educational effect of the dance, as the crowd was well behaved and served as an object lesson to a town that has never been in contact with union labor before, that union men know very well how to manage their own affairs.

Barber Raps His Union Secretary

By a Barber

SAN FRANCISCO.—When I returned from Alaska, where I had gone to work in the canneries, as I'm also a member of the Alaska Cannery Workers Union, I went to the offices of the AFL Barbers' Union to pay three months back dues. There I was asked where I had been. I told them I had been in Alaska.

So you are a member of the Alaska Cannery Workers Union that is going to sue Mr. Vandeleur and also go CIO? I was asked by the secretary, who was looking very peeved.

"Yes," I told him.

Already Voted CIO

"Then you had better run over to Mr. Vandeleur and tell him you are not one of those who is going to vote CIO," he said.

I felt like telling this phoney that I had already voted CIO, that I believed in democracy and the CIO was democratic. But the whole Barbers' Union is a sort of a racket so I thought better and kept quiet.

reason why I say the Barbers' Union is a sort of a racket, though there are very many good men in it, is because we never try to fight two ways. We fight for better pay but at the expense of other workers. It's the poor worker who must always pay for the high cost of a haircut.

Should Fight "Big Shots"

By fighting two ways, I mean the barbers should try to better living conditions by also fighting the landlords from whom the shops are rented. Many barbers have a hole in the wall that is only worth \$8 or \$10 a month, for which they pay \$30 or \$40.

Why not fight the high cost of rent? Why not demand that the manufacturers who are making millions, sell us the barbers' tools and equipment at more reasonable prices? The workers have to work very hard for their money. Why better our conditions entirely at their expense? Let the "big shots" pay!

Relief Chiefs Go CIO

NEW YORK.—The Supervisors Assn. of the Emergency Relief Bureau, with 450 members, has voted to join the Committee for Industrial Organization as a local of the State, County & Municipal Workers Union.

Their Smiles Spelled Victory



FRENCH CANADIAN pickets reporting for a quick lunch during the strike that made Montreal dress agreements part of the law of Quebec province. They smiled then as they faced the hardships of the strike, and they're smiling today as they enjoy better conditions.

"SCARE" HEADLINES KEPT WORKERS OUT OF LABOR PARADE SANTA FE SPRINGS

McLaughlin's Ravings Aimed to Disrupt S. F. March

By an Alaska Canner

SAN FRANCISCO.—The ravings of J. P. McLaughlin, Teamster official, in his attempts to break the solidarity between the Intl. Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union and the rank-and-file of other unions, bore some fruit before the Labor Day parade here, keeping some of the headlines in the capitalist press such as "Teamsters War on ILA," "Teamsters Reject Peace With CIO," "Trouble Started by Communist CIO," etc.

Plot to Disrupt

Almost all San Francisco labor knows that all these headlines were meant to hurt the parade, and many waterfront workers believe it was a plot to disrupt the Labor Day parade and an attempt to start trouble between the CIO and AFL unions.

Some of the workers that fell for the headlines and dropped out of the parade, are the Can Workers of the Western Can Co. These workers were told at the last minute that there was going to be trouble in the parade between the "warring" CIO unions and the AFL and were given the union's phone number to call up on Saturday or sooner to find out if they were going to march.

Officials did "Scaring"

When these workers, who had all bought their outfits for the parade, called up, they were told by a union official: "No, we are not going to march. There's going to be trouble."

In this manner these can workers were "scared" out of the Labor Day parade by their officials, although these officials said they were "heart and soul" for marching, and letters had been sent all can workers admonishing them to march and telling them they would be fined \$5 if they did not.

Due to McLaughlin's headlines, many workers were missing from the parade, from some of the unions that marched.

Other workers who dropped out due to McLaughlin's headlines, were the S'et Metal Workers of the B.C. Sheet Metal & Stamping Co., a Box Makers Union, and many others.

Oil Workers Watched Boy's Fatal Fall

By an Oil Worker

SANTA FE SPRINGS, Los Angeles County.—Labor Day at the Wilshire Refinery appeared to be quiet—only those workers required to keep the plant operating were on duty.

All those off duty were down at Long Beach taking part in the big combined CIO and AFL parade.

The only break in the monotony of the routine day's work was watching a 16-year-old boy, son of a steeple-jack family well known around Santa Fe Springs for their work in brightening up the old smoke-stacks and towers. This family had contracted to paint the stacks and towers of the new refinery.

Labor Day and the boy continued to work. Accustomed by long experience to working in high places, he neglected his safety belt. Near the top of the 140-foot stack, something slipped. His boatwain's seat started down—no safety belt—over 130 feet—a crumpled heap of human flesh and bones at the bottom—on Labor Day.

ACCUSES OWN OFFICIAL IN S. F. "BEEF"

Waterfront Worker Tells Of Conversation on Embarcadero

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A Special Page of Trade Union News, Developments and Features

Teamster "Czars" are no friends of Seamen, declares ILA bulletin—Douglas plots to break strike at Northrup Aircraft plant in Inglewood—Rapid triumph of CIO throughout Nation shown in news briefs—"Farmers and the CIO"—Additional labor news is printed on regular news pages.

Los Angeles Teamster Czars and Bosses in Terror Drive

'GOON SQUADS' BRUTALLY BEAT CIO UNIONISTS

Try to Force Workers Out of Warehousemen's Union, CIO

Warehouse Local 38-134 Release

LOS ANGELES—Two months ago, the Warehouse Organizing Committee, Intl. Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union, started to organize the paper industry. Within six weeks, organization of Zellerbach Paper Co., Blake, Moffitt & Towne; General Paper, Sierra Paper, Badger Paper, Wilson Paper Co., and others, was completed.

Various attempts by AFL Teamsters Union officials to make "deals" with employers to "take over" the workers, were defeated by the workers' determination to belong to a democratic union, under the CIO. On every vote taken on AFL or CIO, the workers voted overwhelmingly for CIO.

"Goon" Appeared

A contract was submitted to the Wholesale Paper Dealers Assn. A meeting was arranged for Wednesday September 1.

On Tuesday, August 31, 75 men wearing Teamster buttons surrounded the Zellerbach warehouse and notified the drivers, all CIO Warehouse Union members, they could not take their trucks out until they joined the Teamsters, and threatened them with "dumplings."

Apparently working with Teamster officials, Manager Holland, hearing of the drivers' refusal to join the Teamsters, turned deliveries over to an independent company employing AFL Teamsters. This done, the Teamster "pickets" dispersed.

Scabs Signed Up by AFL

An hour later, the same hoodlums raided a Warehousemen's picket line at Williams Bros. Grain & Milling Co., Maywood. Waving baseball bats and voicing threats, they drove 40 workers from the picket line. These men have been locked-out for choosing the Warehouse Union. After the lockout, the company employed scabs and called in the Teamsters organizer, who signed up the scabs.

Although a constant police guard had been maintained on the picket line one-half hour before the raid, this police guard suddenly disappeared.

On September 1, Zellerbach drivers, determined to exercise their rights, took their trucks into the street. Result—two drivers and three other CIO unionists who came to their defense, were seriously injured. They were attacked by Teamster officials "goons" using baseball bats. Other CIO men, more fortunate, escaped with minor injuries.

In Downtown L. A.

A car bearing a CIO sticker was stopped by a gang of men wearing Teamster buttons, its occupants pulled from the car and beaten unconscious with baseball bats in downtown Los Angeles.

One CIO member suffered a fractured skull, broken collar bone and possible concussion of the brain. Another was held by two "goons" while a third broke his leg with a bat. The CIO men were Douglas Aircraft workers on the night shift.

On September 2, a United Auto Workers member, walking near the Zellerbach plant, was set upon by 12 "goons" and brutally beaten and may lose his eyesight.

Lad Attacked

On September 3, a 15 year old errand boy for McKesson Drug Co., a Warehouse Union member, was run down by a Ford coupe bearing three "goons." After destroying his bicycle the "goons" attacked this young CIO member, beating him badly.

These and other examples of violence, mark the latest terror and intimidation campaign against workers by racketeering AFL officials—because these workers chose the CIO as a united organization that could obtain decent conditions for its membership and that guaranteed control of its organization to the membership.

Warehousemen Stay CIO

Through their terror campaign, Teamster officials were finally successful in forcing Zellerbach drivers to sign up with the Teamsters Union. Immediately, these drivers were instructed not to haul to or from the warehouse until all inside workers, Warehouse Union members, joined the Teamsters.

However, the inside workers have maintained their determination to stay in the union of their choice. The result is the any now cannot make deals.

Point of Order

A Trade Union Column

By JOHN BROMAN

YOU remember the "divine right of kings," which was expounded in the middle ages to justify the arbitrary rule of feudal nobility. And you remember how that idea exploded.

The "divine right" business is now being applied to the labor movement in the United States—the "divine right of the American Federation of Labor," meaning William Green and the other members of the AFL executive council. Dave Beck and John P. McLaughlin have loudly been proclaiming this "divine right" (chiefly in the Hearst press) during the present lockout on the San Francisco waterfront. And this idea is just about to explode right under the noses of Beck and McLaughlin.

"Father Green"

LOGIC, reason, democratic procedure and rights, federal law—all are tossed out the window by Beck and McLaughlin, and in place they substitute the arbitrary decisions of the AFL executive council. On Green's statement that the Longshoremen were to be ousted from the S. F. Central Labor Council, Beck delivered himself of this edict:

"A father disciplines his child. He doesn't throw him completely out of his house. The Longshoremen aren't being thrown out. Father Green is disciplining them. Our jurisdiction must be respected and the AFL laws observed."

"Way back in Washington, 'Father Green' decides that \$900 warehousemen, organized by the longshoremen, will be much happier under the tender mercies of 'Goon Squad' Beck!"

Why? Because "Father Green" has spoken. He is the all-wise King Solomon of American labor.

Flout Wagner Act

GREEN, Beck, McLaughlin & Co. care not a whit that the National Labor Relations Act guarantees American workers the right to choose their collective bargaining agency. Hiding behind "Father Green's" edict giving the warehousemen to the Teamsters' Union officials, McLaughlin refuses to allow these workers the right to choose their organization.

"We will not submit to any such one-sided vote," said McLaughlin when the Labor Board proposed this simple and democratic solution. "We have made no attempt to organize them (the warehousemen). They have organized themselves, and we're waiting for them to take over an AFL charter. Last April the executive council of the American Federation of Labor awarded teamsters jurisdiction over warehousemen, and that award still stands."

For 52 years, the AFL has failed miserably in its job of organizing the workers. Its unions have barely dented the field of more than 30,000,000 unorganized workers. Its leaders have betrayed the American working class for all these years, in some instances making deals with the employers not to organize their employees, as in steel.

Now that the CIO is bringing a real labor movement to the American working class, these labor fakirs claim the AFL is the only "legitimate" union organization. McLaughlin says "we're waiting for them to take over an AFL charter."

Hearst's Agents

IN ORDER to further its war upon the CIO, these AFL "leaders" are attacking the best protective legislation labor has ever secured—the Wagner Act. They are trying to block Labor Board elections in the maritime industry in the East and Gulf Coasts, as here in the present waterfront lockout. In Oregon they are trying to remove an NLRB director.

Why? Because these misnamed labor leaders can't put over their program of betrayal as long as democratic methods are followed, and they are willing to junk democracy to win. Green, Beck, McLaughlin and the others are being judged by American workers, and the verdict is unanimous. Instead of representing labor, they represent the employers and are nothing less than strikebreakers and traitors.

It is not by accident that the San Francisco Examiner last Friday reprinted virtually the whole Teamsters' 85 Bulletin, with McLaughlin's red-baiting frothings at the mouth against

They Demand the Right to Work



MEMBERS of the Workers' Alliance parading in Washington after a trek from the four corners of the nation. The march won President Roosevelt's pledge that there would be no more WPA cuts.

DOUGLAS PLOTS TO BREAK STRIKE AT NORTHRUP AIRCRAFT

Uses Company Union for "Back to Work" Move in Inglewood

INGLEWOOD, Los Angeles County.—Donald Douglas, owner of the struck Northrup Aircraft factory, and company officials are engineering plans to break the strike at the Northrup plant here, members of the strike strategy committee have revealed.

They cite Douglas' assertion that the plant might never reopen as an airplane factory, as against the continued construction of additions to the Northrup plant and orders which could keep the factory at capacity production for over a year.

Company Union Move
Second disclosure was the company-fostered "back to work" movement being carried on by the company union known as the "Aircraft Workers' Union," under the leadership of Vernon "Stooge" Tauscher, its secretary treasurer.

Clearly indicating future activities of the company union was the statement of its president, G. E. Singleton, when he said: "We want it understood that every worker who wants to get back on the job can sign the petition."

Douglas Plots Violence
It is authoritatively reported that Douglas and Northrup officials plan to storm the picket line with armed thugs dressed as workers with the intention of entering the factory, so that for publicity purposes the plant can be given the appearance of being in operation.

Thus, with the "back to work" movement played up for all the traffic will bear in the capitalist press, particularly the L. A. Times, Douglas hopes to demoralize the strikers and break the strike.

Meanwhile, mass picket lines of more than 200 men kept a 24-hour vigil at the plant gates.

Up to Company
When negotiations broke off following the failure of union leaders and company officials to reach an agreement concerning what the union declares was a callous violation of the seniority clause of a contract entered into last Spring, Charles Rogers, international representative of the United Auto Workers, declared:

"We have always been with him. I have always been for the unions and I am for William Green and his unions a thousand per cent if that is possible." Senator Royal S. Copeland said here today.

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All Workers March
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These betrayers will be cast out of labor's ranks, and labor will re-unite its forces in one united movement for the achievement of economic and political gains.

Business Agent Bob Says

THE way the Teamster "czars" keep shouting about the so-called "CIO-Communist combine" and see Reds everywhere they turn, reminds me of the story of the elephant who got drunk and kept seeing pink Frank Bucks all over the place.

SEN. COPELAND AND GREEN ARE UNITED AGAINST SEAMEN

CIO Leaflet Points Out Who Are Enemies of the Sailors

SAN FRANCISCO—Headed "Senator Copeland, The Sailor's 'Friend,'" the Committee for Industrial Organization, Pacific Coast District, has issued a leaflet to the Pacific Coast seamen, as follows:

"Senator Royal S. Copeland, Democratic senator from the State of New York, author of the Copeland Fink Book and the man who wants the union hiring hall abolished, is strong for the American Federation of Labor. He is strong for William Green and Joseph P. Ryan of the CIO on the Atlantic Coast."

"He has no use for the ILA. 'The CIO is delighted to have Senator Copeland for an enemy. 'The CIO believes the sailors of America should know their friends just as the CIO believes they should know their enemies."

All Union Wreckers
"Senator Copeland and William Green, Senator Copeland and Joe Ryan, Senator Copeland and the American Federation of Labor, Senator Copeland and the Fink Book, Senator Copeland and the Dog-Collar for American Seamen, Senator Copeland and the Wrecking of the Union Hiring Hall."

"They are one and the same. They all have the same aim, the same goal the enslavement of the sailors. Remember this. And read what Senator Copeland says in an interview published on the front page of the New York Times for Thursday, August 26."

"The crafts and industrial branches of the American Federation of Labor deserve our encouragement today. All my sympathies are with William Green. He is a grand fellow. I have always been with him. I have always been for the unions and I am for William Green and his unions a thousand per cent if that is possible." Senator Royal S. Copeland said here today.

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ILA BULLETIN HITS TEAMOS OFFICERS' BOAST OF SUPPORT

Tells How These 'Czars' Tried to Betray Seamen in 1934

(Reprinted from ILA 38-79 Bulletin, San Francisco)

The Teamster officials are boasting they have support of the Sailors and Firemen in this dispute. These are the same Teamster officials who signed and tried to ram the June 16th Agreement down the throats of the ILA in 1934, the Agreement which threw the Sailors and Firemen overboard.

The ILA rank and file Longshoremen should carry a copy of this Bulletin aboard ship and ask the seamen on the ships where they stand. Is it true that they will support a union of the Teamsters' officials and Joe Ryan to break the ILA? You got the answer yourself—ask a seaman.

From time to time, statements have been issued that the ILA officials are trying to sink the Maritime Federation. Now is the time to find out who is wrecking the Federation.

If the Teamsters want a voice in the Maritime affairs, why don't they join the Maritime Federation? The maritime rank and file would welcome them with open arms. The Teamsters' affiliation to the Federation would be a definite clear-cut move for UNITY.

And to those individuals who are shouting so hard about the Maritime Federation being wrecked, why don't they write their opinions to the Voice of the Federation instead of issuing papers blasting everything except their minority opinions?

The Maritime Federation rank and file are solid and united—past struggles have proven that, and in the present dispute, like all struggles in the past, the rank and file will decide and eventually triumph. The rank and file still stands for militant, progressive, democratic principles in the trade union movement.

East Bay YCL To Hold Labor Rally

OAKLAND.—The East Bay Young Communist League will hold a big Labor Rally and Dance on Saturday, September 18, 8 p.m., at the Oakland Civic Auditorium Ballroom. Admission will be 35 cents. Tickets can be obtained at 491 10th St., Oakland, or at the 20th Century Bookshop in Berkeley.

Hoquiam Carpenters Table Order to Boycott Lumber Produced by CIO Members

HOQUIAM, Wash.—The Carpenters Union here tabled instructions from Wm. Hutcheson, president of the Brotherhood of Carpenters & Joiners, to refuse to use CIO lumber. They stated they were not going to boycott themselves or anyone else of a job on Hutcheson's orders.

Reactionary Sheriff To Run for Governor

LONG BEACH—Sheriff Dan Murphy of San Francisco, long a figure in reactionary circles of the labor movement, became the third to announce his candidacy for the Democratic nomination as governor of California. He confirmed his candidacy after having been introduced at a labor meeting as "in all probability the next governor."

Foe'sle and Dock

By BILL SMITH

ON LABOR DAY, when all working class people march for unity, Hearst's local scandal sheets headlined efforts of Joe Ryan to set up "new AFL longshore units" on the Pacific Coast.

You can count on Ryan and Hearst to see eye-to-eye on most things. In fact, Ryan probably could write most of Hearst's editorials and Hearst has been a good union-wrecker for a long time and easily could fill Ryan's shoes in case Joe wanted to take a vacation.

Vandeleur's "Classic"

ANOTHER Labor Day "classic" was Ed Vandeleur's press statement wherein he accused the "CIO-Communist combine" of financial links either with "Moscow or the employers."

It's hard to believe even the hysterical secretary of the State Federation of Labor could be so stupid. Of course Vandeleur doesn't believe everything he says.

Vandeleur is in one swell position to know just who the employers are financing and who they are not. He had a beautiful and very close friendship with the employers, built up by long years of hard and earnest effort.

The Communist Party of the United States doesn't receive money from Moscow, let alone the CIO. Every Party member in the United States regularly pays an International Solidarity Assessment. This money goes to the brother Parties in Germany, Spain, Italy and other places where the sledding is particularly rough.

THE seamen delegates to the National Maritime Unity Conference held recently in Chicago are back in San Francisco. They returned with favorable reports and they have things to say that will knock into a cocked hat all the phony arguments against national unity and the CIO raised by some factions on the Pacific Coast.

Now watch how hard some of our "leaders" are going to work keeping the rank and file of the Sailors' Union and the Maritime Firemen from hearing these reports.

"Law and Order"

EVERY waterfront crisis brings our new employers' "committee." Every such committee, of course, is organized in the interests of the "general public" or "law and order."

Now we have with us the "Committee of 43." A glance at the list of names comprising this body is enough to convince anyone that "law and order" and "general public welfare" are mis-

nomies of people have gone hungry for the want of these foods.

COMMON GOAL

"Only when the industrial workers, steadily marching towards higher standards of living, can buy the farm products they need, will the farm problem be solved," Lewis continues.

"The American worker and the American farmer have a common goal, and that goal is that every citizen of our country shall have the right and opportunity to earn a decent living."

"One of the salient tasks of the CIO in organizing the rural wage earner is to cooperate with the working farmer in reaching this goal."

NATURAL ALLIES

Labor and the farmers are natural allies in the task of creating greater prosperity for those who toil. Neither of the great producing classes can progress far if the other is left behind. United on a common program of social betterment, labor and the farmers will be invincible, for together they represent the great majority of the American people.

It is precisely because of the power that lies in farm and labor unity, that profiteering reaction goes to such lengths to create division between them. Propaganda against labor and the CIO has been more assiduously spread in the farming areas than almost anywhere else.

CIO AIDS FARMERS

As representative of all that is most progressive in the American labor movement, the CIO stretches out the hand of brotherhood to the working farmers. Its leaders are confident that the more widely the real aims of the CIO are understood, the more difficult it will be to create division.

Progressive leaders of the organized farmers have already met the CIO half way by expressing their desire for united action for the benefit of both producing classes.

The present wide sweep of industrial organization, through the CIO, has brought measurably closer the day so ardently desired by all who have our country's welfare at heart, when workers of factory and farm, organized and united, will march forward side by side to the achievement of their common aims.—(Union News Service.)

NEWS BRIEFS SHOW CIO'S SUCCESSES

Unorganized Workers Are Unionizing Throughout United States

The growing strength and power of the Committee for Industrial Organization, and its successes in organizing the unorganized to win better conditions for the workers, are shown in the following news briefs:

MINNEAPOLIS—Three Machinists' Union locals, including over 7000 men, have voted to

Labor Board Is Doubling Staff

WASHINGTON—To take care of the needs of unionizing workers, the National Labor Relations Board has announced it is almost doubling its staff, an increase from 374 to 730 persons.

withdraw from the AFL Intl. Assn. of Machinists and affiliate with the CIO.

Answers CIO Enemies

AKRON, O.—The United Rubber Workers of America has won a 10-to-1 sweep in the National Labor Relations Board election at the giant Goodrich plant here. "The rubber workers have supplied a fine answer to those who have claimed that the CIO is on the way out," declared URW President S. H. Dalrymple.

Shoe Union Growing

NEW YORK—The CIO United Shoe Workers Union is growing rapidly. A Jersey City AFL local voted to affiliate with the CIO, and 800 slipper workers in Passaic, N. J., voted CIO in a Labor Board election.

Farmers in "CIO Drive"

SISSETON, S. D.—Dale Kramer, national secretary of the Farm Holiday Assn., and Oscar Brekke, South Dakota president of the Holiday, have announced a "CIO drive among the farmers" and are conducting a drive to increase Holiday membership.

NEW YORK—Seven locals of the Journeymen Barbers Intl. Union, AFL, with more than 500 members, have voted for CIO affiliation and have launched a drive to unionize the city's 45,000 barbers and beauticians into the Barbers & Beauty Culturists Union. One of the locals is a beauticians' group.

SEATTLE Wash.—Charging violation of the Wagner Act, the CIO Fur Workers Union, with a membership of 256 out of 260 workers in the city's fur industry, has asked court action to prevent the AFL officials from "picketing" shops that have signed CIO contracts.

CIO in Montana

BUTTE, Montana—The Montana Industrial Council, composed of CIO affiliates, has adopted a constitution and elected officers headed by President Archie McLeod of the Great Falls Smeltermen. Fourteen unions are affiliated.

State AFL Body Joins CIO

WASHINGTON—Its AFL charter rejected because it refused to unseat CIO unions, the West Virginia State Federation of Labor has applied for and received a CIO charter as the West Virginia Industrial Union Council, announced John Brophy. The council will represent 170,000 union workers.

Unionizing Soup Co.

CAMDEN, N. J.—The CIO United Cannery, Agriculture, Packing & Allied Workers Union has started organization of workers in Campbell's Soup Co. here, largest cannery in the U. S.

Communist Professionals Support Banning Strike, Demand Probe of Terror

LOS ANGELES—The Professional Section of the Communist Party here has adopted a resolution in support of the striking Mine, Mill & Smelter Workers Union at Banning, demanding it be recognized by the Metropolitan Water District.

The resolution also demanded withdrawal of police and deputies from strikebreaking activities, investigation to determine those responsible for shooting and otherwise terrorizing strikers, and investigation by authorities of the 13 cities of the District to publicize the cost to the taxpayers of this attempt to abrogate workers' rights to collective bargaining.